

The Saint Rocco's Service Men Gazette Issues



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WORLD WAR II VETERANS
OF ST. ROCCO PARISH**

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Paper for Servicemen Is 'Like Letter From Home'

"Like a letter from home" is the motto of the Service Men Gazette of St. Rocco Parish. Published monthly by the Gazetteers Club of the parish, it keeps the 212 parishioners now in the service in touch with doings at home. Its total circulation is more than 500.



Miss Manfredi

The Gazette is the brainchild of Anthony Monte, graduate of St. Rocco School, who with other active youths in the parish formed the first staff. The present editorial staff consists of Marie Manfredi, Sam Calandra and Dora Casino. On the business staff are Eleanor Carabba, Florence Corrado, Mary Anguilano and Carmela Damiano.

INTERVIEWS BOYS

The Gazette interviews the boys home on furlough and features let-

ters from the camps. It has humor, sports and poetry departments. Sometimes there are even front-line action stories, like the one about Anthony Strizzi, who took part in the naval action in the Battle of Midway.

Miss Manfredi runs a monthly column entitled "Up-to-Date Flash-es," which features camp highlights and sights on the home front. Each issue contains a list of the addresses of service men, so that those in the same or nearby camps can get together.

All this is contained in six pages, 9x8 inches. And there are even pictures.

READER REACTION

The Gazetteers have letters to prove how their efforts are appreciated. One of these is from Staff Sergeant James G. Rutti, now in the Pacific war zone. He wrote:

"Dear Gazetteers: I can't thank you enough for the Gazette. It is like another letter from home. It contains all the things I'm interested in. Though we are scattered to all corners of the world, this newspaper is like a chain linking us together, no matter how many miles of land and sea may separate us. Lee Nicholas' is on the same island with me."

FOREWARD

As the years pass by, there are unforgettable periods that stand out in one's life --- and "WORLD WAR II" certainly was an important period.

In the spring of 2004, I received an inquiry from a "Plain Dealer" reporter Michael McIntyre, who was preparing an article commemorating the 60th Anniversary of D-DAY (June 6, 1944), which featured a story about Pvt. Frank DeBellis, one of our parishioners and one of the first young men killed in action on that day. This caused me to search through my copies of the "St. Rocco's Service Men Gazette" and, I was able to assist in answering his questions for we had written an article about Frank.

This incident and other inquiries have led me to the realization that, probably, I am the only person to have saved a copy of each issue; and, I felt obligated to publish a compilation of the issues of the "Gazette."

HISTORY OF THE "ST. ROCCO'S SERVICE MEN GAZETTE"

We must give credit to the late **Anthony (Tony) Monte**, who first proposed a newsletter to be printed and mailed to all the servicemen of our parish, (he lived on Fulton Rd., a few doors north of Carlyle Ave.). Tony fostered the idea, and some of us younger folk became interested and involved in this project. With Fr. Sante Gattuso's blessing, we started to raise money for the expenses involved. We collected donations after all the masses on Sundays, and even set up a special booth to promote this project. Fortunately, Fr. Gattuso realized our plight and offered to underwrite the cost of printing and mailing. And so, the "Gazette" became a reality. Tony Monte entered the navy after the third issue. Also, from time to time, most of the young men listed as members of the staff, would be called to active duty. Those of us who were still interested, persisted, and did our best in preparing the "Gazette" and mailing it. (Copies were also available in the church vestibule to members of the parish).

We wrote about our boys overseas . . . about the joys of those returning home on furlough . . . the suspense of waiting to hear about those who were "Missing In Action," or, who became prisoners of war; and sadly, we wrote about those who made the "supreme sacrifice" for our Country and Community. (I interviewed most of the families of our deceased heroes, and it was the most difficult part of the entire project).

Each issue contained a letter from Fr. Gattuso to "My Dear Boys" -- and the latest news of our parish activities, our parishioners, and our community; also, news of our "Mission Church", Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, West. (OLMC became a parish some years after the war).

All the issues of this paper were entitled "St. Rocco's Service **Men** Gazzette." Even Fr. Gattuso's letter was always addressed "To My Dear Boys." However, we wish to point out that **FOUR WOMEN** in our parish served in the military, and are included in the index listing.

The attempts to insert a little humor in the "Gazzette" are of another era . . . and in today's society may sound "corny." The article entitled "Cleveland Scene" lists the events which took place in Cleveland at that time.

For those of us on the staff, it was a labor of love. The only reward and most satisfying moment came from our servicemen who returned home on furloughs or leaves. I interviewed each one, and all of them never failed to tell me how important each issue of the "Gazette" was to them. Those remarks, and the many letters of appreciation we received, always made me and the staff proud of our work.

I hope this publication revives the memory of those of us who lived during those days I hope it gives to the younger generations a sense of the importance of those years and its effect on the life of our parish – our community – and country. Most importantly, I hope I have accomplished the purpose of this publication:

1. To honor the memory of those servicemen who did not return.
2. To remind us of the sacrifices of those who were prisoners – and the joy of their release and return.
3. To make us proud and ever more grateful for the services of our gallant men and women during those war years.
4. To record and preserve an **Important Period** in the history of St. Rocco Parish for future generations.

Marie Manfredi Calandra
October 1, 2005

N.B. The original "Gazette" was printed on a 9½" x 22" sheet, which was folded in three to facilitate its mailing.

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 JERRY FRANCESCANGELO
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 PAT GAGLIARDI
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Service Men Gazette

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Cleveland, Ohio

DEAR FELLAS:

We greet you! We salute you! We dedicate to you, this: The St. Rocco Service Men Gazette.

We sincerely hope that you'll all find pleasure and consolation thru this little gazette during your absence from the 'ol home grounds.

We feel it our patriotic duty to do all that's possible to help our nation during these troubled times and especially to do something extra for our own boys that we all know.

Therefore, in the form of a newsy and pleasure-filled journal we will come to you wherever you may be, on battle-lands or seas.

You see, we back home feel mighty proud

and very fortunate to have such a fine up-standing group of boys from this community representing it in this battle against the Axis; and we know what important roles you are playing all over the world in the struggle to bring Victory nearer. Naturally, it becomes our first duty then to help you boys especially in a fitting tribute to honor all of you by putting all our efforts in our gazette and fill it with all the things we know you are anxious to hear.

We are voicing the entire community when we say we're behind you; and we are praying for the day, which we hope will be soon, when we will be welcoming all of you fine lads in a big, victorious welcome.—The STAFF.



UNITED
WE STAND

Service Men of St. Rocco's:

It must be a sort of satisfaction for you to know that at least one hundred and eighty of you boys from the parish are now serving our government in defense of our nation. We can rest assured that you young men will serve your nation loyally, and though it may never be written, will do so, courageously.

I join with your relatives and friends in the pride that we have in the realization that their loved ones are doing their duty for their nation in this hour of grave peril.

FRANK J. LAUSCHE

Mayor, City of Cleveland

My Dear Boys:

I am very happy to reach you through the medium of the St. Rocco Service Men Gazette. I have pledged my fullest support to this endeavor. I know it will be welcomed by you and your parents.

Wherever you may be, my dear boys, may God bless you and watch over you. Be good, respectful and obedient; practice your Holy Faith by attending Mass, frequenting the Holy Sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion. In this faith you must and will find your greatest source of moral strength and consolation. I know only too well how every one of you is living as a good Catholic soldier. Your letters which reach me from so many and far distant lands are a source of joy to me

when I see how zealously you are complying with your duties towards God. Your faithfulness to God means your faithfulness to the task to which is entrusted to you: the triumph of liberty and justice.

My boys, I must assure you that you are in our thoughts every moment. We pray for you daily. We religious, your parents and our children, raise fervent and frequent prayers to God for your safety. We are doing all we can by our sacrifices to help you. If there be any thing further we can do, all we ask is that you call on us. It will be an honor and a privilege to prove it.

Finally, I treasure your letters and cards. So let me hear from you. Once again, God Bless You.

FR. SANTE GATTUSO, Pastor.

**THE ST. ROCCO
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★ ★ ★ **EDITORIAL** ★ ★ ★

History reveals that these United States were founded on unity—a realization that the strength of a democracy can survive only by united effort.

In less than two centuries the United States has become a leader of the world. This progress has been made possible because of America's teamwork.

Now, more than ever before, our nation relies upon its attribute of unity—teamwork. We must all strive for what we know and believe is the only way of life. The only way to preserve and defend this life is the wholehearted, complete unity of all until the day of inevitable Victory. Let us all resolve to do our best to insure that the Stars and Stripes will wave forever.—Ed.

UNITED; TOGETHER!

"We, the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote for the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

—From "The Constitution."

OUR WAR HERO ★ ★ ★

Dora Casino

JUST back from the Battle of Midway, blue jacket, Anthony Strizzi, had a very gripping story to tell. A story which should be an incentive for everyone to go on working, fighting for Victory.



ANTHONY STRIZZI
... Courtesy THE PRESS

After the historic battle in the Coral Sea, Anthony's destroyer, the Hammann, with the rest of the task force started out after the Japanese at Midway. There they met the vastly superior enemy force. While the Hammann's crew was doing salvage work on the carrier Yorktown, the Japs sent four torpedoes toward the destroyers.

The alarm was given and every man proceeded to his station. As Anthony was on his way to the magazine, the torpedoes hit. He was thrown six feet up to the ceiling and fell down upon a table. His back was injured and torn ligaments in both legs. He reached top deck intending to dive from the life line and gave one last look around. Then he saw a boat. He helped five or six others in and then himself. A sailor dove from a fifteen-foot height and landed in the boat without a scratch. They pulled away just as the destroyer sank, two minutes after the torpedoes struck.

Mr. Strizzi and the other survivors were rescued about one hour and a half later by another destroyer. Some of the survivors, suffering from chest and stomach concussions, died and were buried at sea. The remaining number arrived safely and were sent home.

A reception was given in Strizzi's honor by our pastor in the church hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Strizzi are expecting an addition to the family, probably before he reports back for duty.

Good luck to you, Anthony, and rest assured that we'll back you and the rest of the boys 100 percent in War Bonds and Stamps until our task is done, a "Victorious United Nations."

ST. ROCCO'S HONOR ROLL

★ ★ ★ A Partial List of Names of the St. Rocco Fighting Men ★ ★ ★

Sgt. MICHAEL D. ALTIER	Sgt. L. E. GRABOWSKI
VITO AMATO	Pfc. MICKEY GRATSON
AUGUST AMOROSO	EDWARD KELLY
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Pvt. MIKE ANTONELLI	Pvt. ROLAND J. MARCONI
Corp. FRANK ANTONUCCI	PETER MAZZEO
JOSEPH BARTOLOZZI	S-Sgt. A. MAZZONE
LIVIO BRIANCESCO	Sgt. PETER MAZZONE
Pvt. JOHN BUA	ANTHONY NEGRO
Pvt. FRANK CALI	LEE NICHOLAS
JOE CAMERATA	Corp. JOSEPH PAOLETTA
Pvt. DOMINIC CAMILLO	Pvt. WILLIAM PAPAY
Pvt. ANGELO CAMODELO	Corp. PAUL A. PAVIA
Pfc. ALPHONSE CICCONE	Corp. PETER PETITTI
Pvt. PETER CICCONE	JOHN PIRIGGI
PATSY CILIBERTO	Pvt. CARL PRINCIPE
Pfc. UGO CIOLETTI	Sgt. DOMINIC N. RAGON
FRANK COCCHIARALE	Pvt. MICHAEL REDDISH
Sgt. VITO DeBELLIS	Pvt. MICHAEL RICCARDI, Jr.
Pvt. CASPER DI CAPO	JOHN RIPEPI
Pvt. JAMES DI CAPO	Pvt. JAMES RUTTI, Jr.
DOMINIC DI CONCEZIO	Pvt. JAMES RUTTI
Pvt. SAM DURANTE	FRANK SACCONI
Pvt. JOSEPH ENIA	Pvt. N. L. SANTIOEMMA
Pfc. SAM J. GALIOTO	Corp. JOSEPH SPINELLI
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Sgt. A. A. GESUALDO	ORLANDO TONTI
LEONARD GIANGRANDE	Pvt. JOHN WASHELESKY
Pvt. EDWARD GIRARD	Pvt. PATCY WILLIAMS
Corp. C. GIURBINO	Pvt. TONY ZANZANO

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT

Marie Manfredi

SEEN around home was Corporal Peter Petitti, who was here on a week's furlough, and busy trying to catch up on all the neighborhood gossip. . . . Mike Antonelli, back from camp, visiting his mother who is seriously ill. . . . Remember Roland Marconi? Well, he's at Camp Hulen, Texas, feeding approximately 125 hungry soldiers. How's the Hash taste to you boys? . . . Staff Sergeant Michael Altier is undoubtedly enjoying his extended vacation somewhere in Alaska. . . . Slings spaghetti around Camp in Florida, is Corporal John Ripepi, who has successfully cultivated the Camp's taste to fine food, so that they are now all demanding good Italian Spaghetti and meatballs. Keep 'em flying, John.

From what we hear, Commanding Sergeant Vito DeBellis, who was once a pupil, now greatly enjoys the role of being THE TEACHER. . . . From dabbing a needle into the seats of pants, Alfred Gargano is now dabbing at parachutes, so that the boys won't wear out the seat of their pants. Alfred teaches Parachute Rigging down at Dale Mabry Field, and wishes to state that he will answer all letters sent to him. . . . Vito Amato, who recently enlisted in the Navy, just left the home grounds a few days ago. Best of luck, Vito! . . . FLASH! Brother Michael Rutti, is now enjoying the atmosphere of the 'ole neighborhood again. . . . Johnny Buo, flaunting around town (especially with the gals) is certainly making use of his 10-day furlough. He's definitely BROAD-minded!

A customary sight in the church yard on Sundays: "Gazette" staff busy getting information about you boys, selling Defense Stamps and in all, looking the part of the Spirit of '76 behind a colorful and Patriotic booth. Incidentally we sold \$25.00 worth of stamps last Sunday.

Louis Armagno, convalescing in Grace Hospital from serious injuries received in an automobile accident, (in which Pearl West, his friend died instantly) would, I'm sure, greatly appreciate hearing from his friends and buddies.

This is to inform you boys that the Parish now boasts a Credit Union (organized in January) which is prospering beyond expectation. Our assets are now \$1000.00, and loans can very conveniently be

had at 1 percent interest. This is really for the benefit of the parishioners, as it is not a money-making proposition. Incidentally, it's a good place to put that extra dollar a month you have!!!!

To those who are acquainted with familiar sting of the school rod, you will surely recall the stately Sister Catherine, who returned, after a felt absence of ten years, for a brief visit. Sister marveled at the change that time had made in converting her little tots into young men and women. She also extends her best wishes to all her old pupils, and is sorry that it was not possible to see everyone, but she still remembers and prays for you all.

I'm sure everyone will be happy to know that the kind and gentle Mother Teresa just celebrated her Golden Jubilee, in the Order of the Most Holy Trinity, on Sunday, July 5th, with a Solemn High Mass, a dinner, and a reception in the evening. Fifty years of service would be a remarkable achievement in any field, but the hardships and sacrifices (she now modestly admits) have not been in vain. Was it not she, together with Sr. Catherine, and Sr. Mary, who were the pioneers of our school? Yes, her heroic efforts have been profitable, but only for us, who have, perhaps, sometimes thoughtlessly taken things for granted. Therefore, it was really heart-warming to see so fine a woman receive her just due, and to be honored and loved by all.

ADDRESSING

A Few Of Your Buddies

Corp. FRANK ANTONUCCI,
93rd Bombard. Group,
Hg. & Hg. Squadron,
Fort Meyers, Florida.

Se . VITO DeBELLIS,
1 L. Bu., F. A. R. C.,
Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Corp. PAUL PAVIA,
Co. B, 754 Tank Batt.,
Task Force, 6814 A. A.,
A. P. O. 502,
San Francisco, Calif.

Cleveland SPORTS Review

THE All-Service team really don't feel too bad about losing to the American League All-Stars when they consider the practice handicap. However, they feel they should have at least made one run. The attendance figure was gratifying—over 62,000.

Still in there playing average baseball are the Cleveland Indians. The standings show them—you're right!—in third place.

The Cleveland Rams get new training grounds at Hiram College. We are expecting great things from this powerhouse this football season. Military calls have effected only a few men, quite contrary from the Chicago Bears.

As a result of the Bomber-for-MacArthur fight card, Cleveland has been heralded as the new fight capital.

Results:

M. Bettina over H. Bobo—decision.

J. Bivins over J. Maxim—decision.

Christoforidis over Colon—decision.

J. Muscato over L. Franklin—TKO.

The day after the fight, Cleveland got its first view of the bomber, "Spirit of Cleveland." Gen. MacArthur sent his thanks.

Rosenblums and Bartunek Clothes are tied for first place in sandlot Class A.

Joe Vosmik now playing with Minneapolis in the American Association circuit.

A boxing result of a few nights back—Jimmy

WIT and HUMOR ★ ★ ★

DURING the past summer before Pearl Harbor, a group of boys were in Louisiana for maneuvers. This particular story concerns the camouflage boys. During maneuvers they were given tasks, such as houses and other objects. An observation plane was sent up to see how effective their work had been. This particular assignment given to the group was the camouflaging of an ack-ack gun. The group was divided in two, four men in each. When the C. O. went up in the plane, he was surprised to notice the perfection of his crews.

When he visited his men to congratulate them, he asked one of the men to show him their handiwork, since it had been absolutely concealed from the plane. This section proudly led their officer to the position of the gun. Then the officer found out why their work had been so effective.

This crew had dismantled the gun, buried the base and tied the barrel to a tree trunk—no wonder it could not be seen from the plane.

Said Goeby to Goery: "I hear the fuhrer beat Mussy in the poker game last night?"

Remarked Goery to Goeby: "Yah, und vass der Duce vild!"

Bivins winning in a fifth-round knockout over Sergt. Joe Muscato. Joey knows now that a fighter who can't take a punch doesn't get very far.

Any sport activities in your camp, that you want the other fellows to know? Write in and tell us about it. Remember, like everything else, this is YOUR sports column.

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

Mrs. Vincent Cassarino	Girl
Mrs. Domenico Sebastiani	Girl
Mrs. Leonard Petitti	Girl
Mrs. Charles Giunta	Boy
Mrs. Anthony Bergantino	Girl
Mrs. Joseph Castelli	Boy
Mrs. John DiCore	Boy
Mrs. Joseph Trunket	Boy
Mrs. Louis DiRenzo	Boy
Mrs. Adolph Nelson	Girl

MARRIAGES

Stephen Pilat	Margaret Lusardo
Julius Trombetto	Mafalda Circelli
Giordano Bosa	Mary De Rigo
John Stella	Rose Forchione

Fred Chester	Josephine Gulker
Charles Pentolino	Rose Sgro
Salvatore Boscarello	Betty Dzurinda
Michael Judge	Dolores Dunbrook
Carl Pistillo	Christina Tecla

DEATHS

Angelo Biasella	1885-1942
Richard Sidoti	1935-1942
Michael Diauto	1887-1942
Mmilio DiBeedetto	1890-1942
Dominic Menacapelli	1877-1942
Mary Chiaravalle	1883-1942
Sam Marchio	1887-1942
Robert Battaglia	1939-1942
Dominic Mongiollo	1892-1942

BERLIN DISPATCH!**HOW TO ACT IN AN AIR RAID**

1. As soon as the bombs start falling, run like blazes. (It doesn't matter where, but run.)
 - a) Wear track shoes or spikes to help get over the slower people.
2. Take advantage of opportunities afforded when the air raid siren sounds.
 - a) If in a bakery, grab a pie.
 - b) If in a tavern, grab a bottle.
 - c) If in a movie, grab a blonde.
3. If you find an unexploded bomb, always pick it up and shake it vigorously. (Maybe the firing pin is stuck.) If that doesn't work, heave it into the furnace. (That will take it off your hands.)
4. If an incendiary bomb is found burning the building, throw gasoline on it. (You can't put it out anyway, so why not have fun.)
 - a) If no gasoline is available, throw water on it, and lie down—like you're dead.
5. Always get excited and holler bloody murder. (It will add to the fun and scare the day-lights out of the kids.)
6. Drink heavily, eat onions, garlic or lingur-ger cheese. (It will make you very unpopular within your immediate vicinity and eliminate the unnecessary discomfort of people crowding too close to you.)
7. If you are the victim of a direct bomb hit, don't go to pieces. (Lie still and you won't be noticed.)
8. Knock the air raid warden down if he tries to tell you what to do. (They always save the best seats for themselves and their friends anyway.)

—A. HITLER.

THANKS!

The Staff wishes to thank all the kind people who have given generously with their donations and cooperation.

We give special thanks to the Mercede Dramatic Club for its timely contribution towards making the S. M. G. a success.

WE ASK

It's pretty tough for us to think of something funny to say every issue. No doubt humorous incidents have happened wherever you are stationed, so won't you write in and tell us about them so that others may enjoy them with you in subsequent issues?

Privately yours,

—SAM CALANDRA.

A FEW THOUGHTS

Grant graciously what you cannot refuse safely.

Anger—a wind that blows out the lamp of the wind.

It doesn't take much skill to write a love letter, but it may, to get it back.

Those who have not tasted the bitterness of life's bitters can never appreciate the sweetest of life's sweets.

Any guy can be the cream in a girl's coffee as long as he has plenty of sugar.

When boys have money they act like men;
When their money is gone they're boys again.

And a word to the wise . . .

Giving someone a piece of one's mind rarely results in peace of mind.

LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME . . .**THAT IS THE PURPOSE OF
THE ST. ROCCO SERVICE MEN GAZETTE****OUR CLOSING MESSAGE**

The Service Men Gazette is in for the duration. Remember it is your paper, therefore, we want you to feel perfectly free to write in at any time, to offer suggestions, criticism, or any items of interest.

We want to write what you want to know, and tell you what you are most anxious to hear.

Address all letters to:

The Gazetteers
3401 Meyer Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio
Yours 'til Victory,

S. M. G. STAFF.

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CLEVELAND, OHIO

To the Men of Saint Rocco's Parish with the Armed Forces:

Twice during the past few weeks I have had the pleasure of presiding at impressive religious and patriotic services at your grounds. I blessed a Station-wagon which your parents and friends donated to the Red Cross. I pontificated at mid-night Mass on the Feast of Our Lady of Mercy.

From these recent and close contacts with the priests and people of your parish, I learned with joy that you men are their greatest pride. You are in their hearts and on their lips every day. They expect great things from you.

I know that you will not disappoint them. I am sure that you will make them even prouder of you by your zeal for your duties, by your devotion to your country's cause, and by your fidelity to your religious obligations.


May the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, descend upon you and remain with you wherever you go.

† **James A. McFadden**
Auxiliary Bishop of Cleveland



UNITED
WE STAND

Parish Presents Gift to Red Cross

 **T. ROCCO'S** parishioners presented a Station wagon to the American Red Cross at a patriotic program on the church grounds Labor Day. Over 1000 people attended this impressive ceremony which climaxed the usual festivity in honor of St. Rocco.


After the station wagon was blessed by Bishop James A. McFadden, the formal presentation was made by our pastor, Father Gattuso, to Judge Orr, who represented the Red Cross. Other celebrities on hand were Mayor Frank Lausche, Safety Director Frank Celebrezze, Councilman Thad Fusco, President of the Sons of Italy S. LoPresti and other civic persons.

In an effort to make this substantial contribution to the war effort, every family in the parish made a donation. In addition, the Sacred Family Society gave \$50 for the gift plus \$100 in War Bonds. The Mazzini Lodge joined with \$160 to the Red Cross and \$100 in Bonds. Which all goes to prove that the folks back home are doing their part, and are behind you 100 percent.

A Message from Father Gattuso

MY DEAR BOYS:

There is no question that war is a great calamity, but so is sickness and death is the greatest calamity of all.

 It takes this thought to keep us in line with our duties towards God, ourselves, and our neighbors. Our Blessed Lord tells us very clearly that we'd never commit sin if we would remember our last end. At the present time war and death confront the whole world at every turn. Yet our Faith in God must be our greatest source of consolation, hope and strength.

Numerous magazines and newspapers printed a striking episode that took place at Bataan. A general and a sergeant were praying, the latter aloud. The general said, "My man, you are praying!" "So are you sir," was the reply. "Sergeant, there cannot be any atheists in these foxholes of Bataan." This, incidentally, is typical of what is happening wherever our men are stationed. It shows us that while we face war, we should not lose sight of the fact that a better world will and must evolve from this struggle.

Your many letters to me furnish proof of what I have said. I have even received letters from boys I don't know personally. One of them writes, "This letter comes to you from a corner bum who never amounted to very much, but now I feel like a man." The reason for this feeling? He

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Editorial—

THE FOUR POINTS TO VICTORY

"The four duties of the people as I see them today:

The duty to produce to the limit.

The duty to transport all vital materials to the fields of battle as rapidly as possible.

The duty to fight with all that is in us.

The duty to build a peace that is just, charitable and enduring."

—Henry A. Wallace
(May 8, 1942)

* * *

The duty to produce to the limit is daily a greater need and there must not be any limit in our production until the day of victory. The call is . . . more planes . . . more ships . . . more guns. We pledge ourselves to that duty.

Transportation of these much-needed materials and supplies to the fighting fronts should and will be delivered safely to bring victory nearer. We MUST get them there.

To fight is everyone's duty, either at the front or at home. Sharing in a struggle to preserve everything we have known and loved that we have inherited as free Americans.

The duty to dictate the peace terms justly is that of the victorious people. There can be no doubt as to justice when free people write the peace.
—ED.

OUR WAR HEROES

—On Parade

—Dora Casino

CURLEY-HEADED Leonard Giangrande is one of Uncle Sam's fighting gobs. He enlisted last February and chose the Navy because he wanted to see action plus naval tradition and navy spirit. He is on the deck force on one of our fighting ships doing convoy duty in the Atlantic. Besides having been in Scotland and Ireland he has traveled to many other far distant lands. In all the places he has visited he has found the reason why the American way of life is worth fighting for. However, he noticed that, while we are grumbling about having to give up many of our luxuries, the people over there have been forced to give up, in many cases, the bare necessities of life.

Recreation on board ship is great, according to Leonard. They play cards, deck tennis, shuffle board and, occasionally, hold boxing and vaudeville shows. He is the catcher on the baseball team which plays other teams on foreign shores at every opportunity. Movies are shown frequently during the week. At their dances, recordings are played and sailor dances with sailor. Their ship orchestra ranks as one of the Atlantic fleet, boasts Leonard.

After eight months away from home, Leonard has had his first furlough. He is now Boatswain's Mate, third class and going up! He was very happy to see all his former schoolmates and friends. He remarked how everybody back home seems to be in the right spirit, buying stamps and bonds and all doing their share in the war effort.

In the Navy he has learned to wash, sew and make other things that makes a sailor any girl's delight.

Leonard's hint to the girl's is: If you really would like to snatch yourself a good all-around man, a navy man is your best bet!"

Like A Letter From Home

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THANKS, BOYS!

We of the Staff want to express our sincere thanks for the many encouraging letters we have received. They are an indication to us that you are all in favor in the promotion of our Gazette. Some of you have supplied us with news items and ideas which, of course, are always welcome. We also would like to be informed of changes in addresses and military ranks. But, above all else, keep writing in. We are always happy to hear from you at any time.

Our thanks also to the kind persons who have aided us with their donations in making this issue possible. We are especially grateful of the efforts being made by officials of the various lodges and societies in the community to establish a fund among the members to insure future editions of our Gazette.


We thank one and all.

The S. M. G. Staff

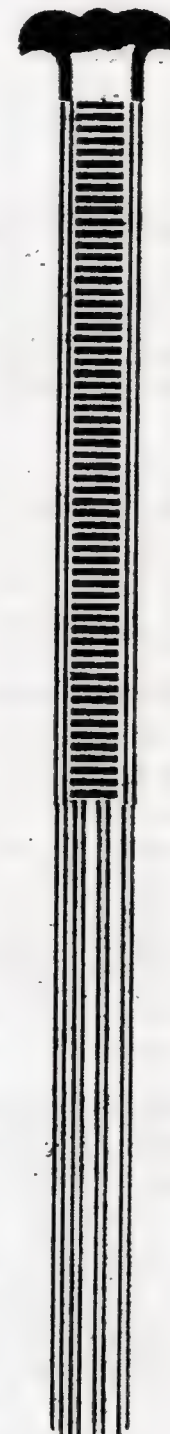
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SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT

—Mario Manfredi

THE S. M. G. staff has been enjoying the thrill of being cast in the spotlight of the public eye. The Cleveland Press initiated the publicity with a group picture of the staff, followed by a complimentary writeup, on being the first group to start a neighborhood service paper for our fighting men.

The L'Araldo also published a picture of the staff at work, including a writeup, which makes us all feel pretty good, and gives us an incentive to plug a little harder.

NEWLY MADE Corporal Frank Antonucci, who works in the office of the Intelligence Officer, notified us that he'll soon be sent overseas. We all wish you the best of luck Frank, and know you'll keep up your end of it. **LATE FLASH!** He's over already.

The M. P. who instills such great terror in the hearts of the lads at Fort Thomas, Kentucky, is none other than Pvt. Angelo Caporaso (formerly considered a sweet-tempered and mild fellow in civilian day.) My! but the Army sure can produce remarkable changes! Tsk! Tsk!

We understand that the soulful strains floating around Jefferson Barracks, New Orleans, La., issue from none other than THE VIRTUOSO of the Clarinet and Sax, Tech. Corporal Sam Galieto. Being very versatile he plays both in the army band and dance band. OK! fellas you can take your earmuffs off now . . . We hear that Pvt. Carl Mazzone, the MAESTRO of the clippers, is run ragged these days slicing off blooming mustaches — that seem to be the vogue around camp just now. Be sure that's all he takes off buddies.

Pvt. Casper Marconi writes, "I got the paper from the Church this morning and it's a pretty nice little paper, it brings me closer to home." Thank you Casper, and we wish you a speedy recovery from your motorcycle accident

Two Bluejackets home on leave and making the most of it, were Leonard Giangrande, and Vito Amato, both looking pretty slick in their uniforms. Incidentally, Mrs. Giangrande is proudly displaying a genuine seal corsage—brought all the way from Iceland.

Pvt. Sam Durante, Pvt. Mike Zona, and Pvt. Armand Rossi, all received the shock of their lives, when they all met at Camp Forrest, Tennessee. Which again proves the old proverb that "it's a small world after all."

Proudly strutting and displaying his stripe around the neighborhood was Pfc. Roland Marconi, who was home on a 2 week's furlough sporting a tan to be envied by anyone.

Pvt. Americo Fior was literally cast out of medieval times into the present when his horse was taken from him and he was given a transport truck instead. Reason: Horses seem to be too slow for modern warfare. Americo is stationed in San Rafael, California. Too bad your knightly dreams were shattered!

It cost Pvt. Jimmy Rutti approximately \$50.00 to come home (by plane) for a 24 hour furlough, which proves that there's no place like home to one who's been away for a long time.

Proudly driving the Red Cross Station wagon, Labor Day, was Staff Sergeant Vito DeBellis, who headed the parade to the church from Walton Ave. (Pvt. Missouri) sat beside him, and both boys looked very dignified and self-assured in their uniforms.

The Mercedarian monastery was opened at Hudson, Ohio, headed by Rev. Father General Scotti. The first two novitiates to enter the Order are Joseph Antonucci, and Michael Zannoni. We wish them success and good wishes!

Again dipping into the 5th Board area, the selective service has called on more men to report for induction. Among those who left recently are:

Rocco DiLuzio, 3402 Paris
Alfred Dadante, 3226 W. 35th
Ross Cuffari, 3201 Clark
Nick Paoletta, 3131 Fulton
U. Brucchieri, 3611 Hyde
Mat Medino, 3639 Newark
Vito Anelli, 3494 Roehl
Idalo Casino, 3165 W. 30th
Rocco Girard, 3279 Fulton

RIDDLE: If someone were to ask you if you "indulged in a series of anatomical juxtapositions of two orbicular muscles in the state of contraction," what would you say you did?

(Answer on next page).

28th Annual Celebration of St. Rocco

The weather was ideal, this year, for one of the most solemn and picturesque processions in the history of our parish. The Float of St. Rocco was radiant with flowers and little girls in white angel gowns added to the picture. Incidentally, there were many movies taken of the affair.

One of the most impressive sights in the procession was the great number of mothers who walked in a double column, all holding flags (signifying that one of their loved ones was in the service), and printed plainly on each flag was the name of the serviceman.

Director Liberatore's band provided the music for the occasion.

In reference to the social celebration in the evenings, the festival went off, as well if not better, than in preceding years.

The S. M. G. Staff also participated in this..

A dart-game stand, lavishly and patriotically decorated was erected, and the proceeds went half toward the Red Cross Station-Wagon, the other half for the printing of "The Service Men's Gazette" A \$25.00 War Bond was also raffled by S. M. G. Staff.

On the whole, the 28th celebration of St. Rocco was a great success, and we're sure you all would have enjoyed it as much as those lucky few did, who happened to be home on furlough at the time.

CHURCH TO FLY SERVICE FLAG

A service flag will soon fly with the Stars and Stripes on the mast in St. Rocco's churchyard. Unfortunately, the banner was not ready for the Red Cross program on Labor Day. The service flag will be adorned with a blue star for each service man from the parish.

FATHER'S MESSAGE

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has gone back to Him who is the Road, the Truth and the Life. Another young man writes, "We boys feel that we are at the turning point of our lives and my greatest consolation is my religion."

You men in the services are the builders of this new and better world to come. Wicked people shrink from sacrifices, but it takes the sacrifices of the good to achieve what we are fighting for. No sacrifice is in vain when accepted as something necessary to deserve what is good.

May God Bless you and keep you.

Fr. Sante Gattuso

FOR THE RECORD

THE STORK CLUB

MR. and MRS. WILLIAM COLLINS, girl.
MR. and MRS. ROXY GIRARD, boy.
MR. and Mrs. JOSEPH LEONE, girl.
MR. and MRS. JOHN GARGANO, boy.
MR. and MRS. CARL BONTEMPO, girl.
MR. and MRS. DOMINIC DE LORENZO, boy.
MR. and MRS. PHILIP DI SALVO, girl.
MR. and MRS. ANGELO CARAVONE, boy.
MR. and MRS. NED DE CORE, girl.
MR. and MRS. CHESTER CAMPARONI, girl.
MR. and MRS. EMILIO BERTUZZI, girl.
MR. and MRS. ALBERT GENCO, boy.
MR. and MRS. PASCHAL IACOVONE, girl.

THE MIDDLE AISLE

Sgt. LEONARD GRABOWSKI and DORA GALUCCI
ROCCO J. CICCIA and FLORENCE COLA
KENNETH TURNER and FLORENCE PAOLINI
NICHOLAS DUGANIERO and PAULINE PALMER
WALTER BOERNER and MARY LANZETTA
NORMAN MLADY and EDNA MELLILO
WILLIAM BECKER and CATHERINE PETROSSI
JOSEPH DAUGENTI and JEAN FERTINA
FRED ROBERTS and MARY PERNACI

WE RECORD WITH REGRET

FRANCESCO LAVALLE
GULLO MARIANO
LOUIS SPEDALIERE
FRANK ARTWELL
DOMINIC MERNONE

A FEW THOUGHTS

Quarrels would not last long if the fault was only on one side.

The only sure way to double your money is to fold it and put it in your hip pocket.

There is no love sincerer than the love of food.

Flirting is the virtuous woman's way of being sinful, and the sinful woman's way of being virtuous.

He has nothing who is not content with what he has. Remember your tongue is in a wet place and likely to slip.

Answer to riddle: A KISS! is what you would have indulged in!

The Cleveland Sports Review

A quick glance on the month in sports. We find the Rams still hopeful in their league's race — the Indians solidly perched in fourth place in the A. L. standings — Jimmy Bivins doing his stuff again — local high school elevens booting the lid off the 1942 season.

The dauntless Rams are still firm in their belief they have the best team of their six years' history in the Nat'l League despite their first game set-back to the Cardinals, 7 to 0. Even though handicapped with a partial roster this year, the Cleveland line, headed by Chet Adams and Riley Matheson, still remains a big threat in the league.

Fourth place, a position which means several hundred dollars per man, seems to belong to the Indians for the asking. Returning from a two game win streak this last week, the Tribe prepares for battle against the challenging fifth-placers, the Tigers. The series will settle the contest in who gets that elusive fourth-position in the league. Just for the sake of formality, the clubs are strung out thusly:

Boston 10 games behind the Yanks, Brown 20, Indians 28, Tigers 30, and so on down the line.

Boxing Bivins the Biffer was no bed of roses as Tami Maurielli, the paesano from New York, will tell you. Jimmy easily won the decision over Tami in their 10 rounder at the Arena last week. Next in the ring for Bivins will be Pastor.

Virtually unaffected by wartime restrictions, the local high school teams went right into their season with a bang. Although the lack of transportation facilities and a scarcity of coaches threatened the squads, their spirit and determination kept them going. A few scores of the first games were: Adams 6 West Tech 0, Lincoln 6, Toledo 0, Latin 0, Massillon 38.

SHORTS IN SPORTS:

The Eastern Army All Stars warming up to meet the Chicago Bears this week --- the hockey Barons signing up for a 56 game season opening in October --- The Cardinals winning in the pennant race with the Dodgers --- L'Araldo, the town's Italian-American newspaper, putting on an amateur boxing show in the Hall for the Army-Navy Relief Fund.

THE JOKE BOX

ROOKIE: "Yeah, but Sarge, Rome wasn't built in a day!"

SARGE: "Well I wasn't bossin' the job. Snap into it buck!"

* * *

GOERING: "Look, Adolph, here iss a foreign language dot might interest you."

HITLER: "Ja, it must be a Czech book."

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Some of the draftees think that even though they may never leave the country, they're bound to marry a broad.

* * *

All girls are crazy about sailors; in fact they're salt-water daffy.

ARMY POST.

WIT and HUMOR

You know, fellas, although this is only the second time that we've been together, I sort of feel that we're great pals. So I decided to ask your advice on an important matter. The other day I received a special letter which went something like this:

Washington, D. C.
August 25, 1942

Sam Calandra,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sam:

I've been hearing quite a lot about you and I feel that we can't possibly do without you much longer. No matter what other people may say about you, you're 1A with us.

Here's our offer. We'll give you an indefinite vacation — with pay. We'll provide you with transportation to a nice camp where you'll meet a lot of swell fellows. You won't have to bring anything with you, we'll provide you with clothing and food. Every day you'll take a little walk. We'll provide you with a gun, if you want to go hunting. And you don't have to worry about transportation in and around camp—we have a lot of taxis.

We suggest you think over our offer. We'd like to have you with us.

Sincerely yours,

Uncle Sam.

Well, what do you think, fellows. I think that maybe someone is trying to put something over on me. Until next month then, let's keep smiling.

PRIVATELY YOURS,
Sam Calandra

HOBBO JOE'S PHILOSOPHY

(NOTE: The views expressed are those of the author. Any similarity to persons and places is purely coincidental.)

"I wonder why folks worry? There's only two reasons for worry.

"Either you're successful or you ain't successful. If you're successful there's nothing to worry about. If you're not successful there are only two things to worry about. Your health is either good or you're sick. If your health is good, you ain't got nothing to worry about, if its bad, you've only got two things to worry about. You are either going to get well or you are going to die. If you're going to get well, you have nothing to worry about. If you are going to die, you have only two things to worry about. You are either going to Heaven or you are not. If you're going to Heaven, you don't have anything to worry about. If you are not going to Heaven you have nothing to worry about. When you get to the other place you will be so darn busy shaking hands with people you know you won't have time to worry—so why WORRY?"

—HOBBO NEWS



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Attention!—A Message from Our Great Leader To Americans on All Fronts:



..... It is the plain fact that the American people are united as never before in their determination to do a job and do it well. This whole nation of 130 million free men and women and children is becoming one great fighting force. Some of us are soldiers or sailors, some of us civilians. Some of us are fighting the war in airplanes 5 miles above the continent of Europe or the islands of the Pacific. And some of us are fighting it deep down in the earth of Pennsylvania or Montana.

A few of us are decorated with medals for heroic achievement, but all of us can have that deep and permanent inner satisfaction that comes from doing the best we know how—each of us playing an honorable part in the great struggle to save our democratic civilization.

Whatever our individual circumstances or opportunities — we are all in it, and our spirit is good, and we Americans and our Allies are going to win — and do not let anyone tell you anything different!

Franklin D. Roosevelt
(Fireside Chat, Columbus Day)



F. D. R., MAN
OF THE HOUR

Hats Off To Our First Waac!

We are proud to announce that Miss Marion Ballare, of 3195 West 33rd Street, has joined the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, after successfully passing all the necessary tests. We are pleased to note that she was one of the few in her group to make the grade for Officer's Training.

Miss Ballare is now stationed at Fort Des Moines, Iowa, and writes that the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps is all that she anticipated it to be. Furthermore, Marion can now boast the great achievement of being able to dress in the record time of 14 minutes. (Can you beat that one, boys?)

Formerly affiliated with the Cleveland Public Library's school department for the past 8 years, Marion was well known and liked by everyone. We wish her good luck in this great enterprise and know she will make a successful "WAAC."



Miss Ballare

LET'S BE THANKFUL

Thanksgiving time in the past has always been an occasion when the family sat at a meal different from all others. Turkey was king for a day. But the predominant feature of this holiday was that at the beginning of this traditional American family feast, thanks were repeated to the good Lord in every heart, in every home—thanks for all the precious things our American way of life has given us.

This year at Thanksgiving when there are empty places at almost every table, we might feel there are not many things for which to be thankful. But there are!

We ought to be grateful that we enjoy freedom—so many nations do not.

Gratitude isn't enough for the abundant food that is on our tables yet. Let's be thankful, too, for our Marines' glorious fight in the Solomons, for the unbelievable stand of the Russians in Stalingrad, for the unparalleled Allied success in Egypt and North Africa. Let's give thanks for every plane, every tank, every gun we are able to send to our boys who fight for our freedom.

And lastly, let's be thankful that we are still Americans!



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Editorial—

WE HAIL A GREAT MAN

"The American people will not relish the idea of any American citizen growing rich and fat in an emerging of blood and slaughter and human suffering."

F. D. R., Radio Chat, 1940

These meaningful words express the brilliant character of the man who, by wisely leading the nation through a long, perilous struggle for freedom, merits the unending gratitude, respect and admiration of the American people.

As a Christian leader he dedicates Thanksgiving Day to prayer; ignoring the effect on the political elections, he carries out a strategic military plan in Africa before the voting; he devotes his time and energy to the well-being of the American citizenry. Our president is certainly a noble, unselfish man who deserves to be called "great."

The parents of service men know very well that Pres. Roosevelt does not speak as a cold, uninterested leader, but as one of the people. What especially bears out that fact is that he has four sons under the colors.

The President is confident the American people have the courage and power to drive on to victory. He observes the "unbeatable American spirit" in stating that "we Americans and our Allies are going to win." His voice is truly the echo of all America.

FOUR CORPORALS HAVE THEIR SAY

Camp Funston, Kansas

To the Gazetteers:

... I received the Gazette and read it over carefully. I thought it was a pretty good paper. In fact, I wouldn't mind receiving one every month. A paper like that would sure keep me in touch with some of the latest news from around home. Expect to be home on furlough. Will be very glad to see the old neck of the woods; wonder if it's still the same ...

Cpl. Vito Ardito

Somewhere in England

Members of the Gazette:

... I consider the Gazette tops. I should like to know also if the girls have forgotten the old boy by any chance!...

Cpl. Al Gargano

Army Air Base, Richmond, Va.

Dear Friends:

... I have been receiving a copy of the Gazette for some time. I enjoy reading it and it makes me feel proud to be a member of St. Rocco's parish. A lot of credit goes to the "Gazetteers." You're all doing a swell job at the homefront. Keep up the good work. . .

Cpl. Nick Santoiemma

Nashville, Tenn.

To the Staff:

... When I was reading the Gazette I noticed Pvs. Durante, Rossi and Zona were in Camp Forrest, Tenn. Well, I am on maneuvers in Tennessee and am pretty close to them. Thus I was glad to receive the Gazette which keeps me in touch with friends in the service and with the folks back home ...

Cpl. Pete Petitti

PORTRAIT: HER PRAYER FOR VICTORY

By J. Metcalfe

Before I go to bed at night ... I pray for victory ... And ask the Lord to keep you safe ... And bring you back to me ... I pray that He will fill your soul ... With courage deep and true ... And give your body strength enough ... For what it has to do ... I pray for all your fellow-men ... Upon the battle-field ... That none will falter in his steps ... And none will ever yield ... And in my prayer I mention those ... Who do their duty here ... Without expecting to receive ... A medal or a cheer ... With all my heart I say this prayer ... For peace in victory ... And ask the Lord to keep you safe ... And bring you back to me.

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I'M CENSORED: A LETTER-POEM

Dear folks: I'm censored.
Can't write a thing,
Just that I'm well,
And sign my name.

Can't tell you when it's sunny,
Can't tell you when it rains,
All military secrets,
Most secrets remain.

Don't know when I'm going,
Don't know where I'll land,
I couldn't inform you,
If met by a band.

Can't tell where we sail from,
Can't mention the date,
Can't even remember
The meal that we ate.

I can't keep a diary,
For such is a sin.
Can't keep the envelopes
Your letters come in.

Can't keep a flashlight,
To guide me at night.
And I can't even smoke
Except out of sight.

Don't know anything for sure,
Anything I can do.
Except sign this envelope
And mail it to you.

—Pvt. Ed Wellman

THINK IT OVER

Service—is the rent we pay for our Space and Span on earth.

Happiness—is a perfume that you cannot pour on others without getting a few drops on yourself.

MILITARY NURSERY RHYME

Little Miss Muffet
Sat on a tuffet
With a private, one fine day.
An officer spied her
And sat down beside her
And the private moved away.

LOST AND FOUND DEPT.

Lost! One hard-working business manager. Tony Monte left us suddenly to join the Navy. Now the Gazette wants to show Tony that we can carry on; this present issue is our present to him. If anyone wishes to qualify for the vacancy, we will gladly accept him or her with open arms!!! you knew what a job his was, you wouldn't!!!

Found! Someone (M.R.) to take over Tony's and the editor job, too!!!

LAFFS in the DARK

—Sam Calandra

All of you fellows who have been wondering why I am not with you won't have much to worry about in a little while. For a while I had thought that the Army wouldn't want a physical wreck like your reporter, but recent events have convinced me that I was wrong, very wrong.

You see, a friend of mine asked me to go with him when he took his physical examination. Of course, I agreed to help him out. Besides, I wanted to see how the thing worked.

So, I went over to Joe's home the day he was supposed to take the physical, and we went down to the doctor's. After Joe got out of his wheel-chair, the doctor began his examination.

He looked at Joe and said "How're your eyes?"

Joe started: "Well, doc, I've always..."

Doc said: "You have two, don't you?"

And when Joe nodded, the doc turned and wrote "Eyes: perfect."

Then, he yelled: "How're your ears?"

Joe, played it smart," and leaned forward and said "Uh?"

"Ears: perfect." "Now, let me see your teeth."

So Joe took out his teeth and gave them to the doc. Doc looked 'em over, told Joe to brush them more often, and "Teeth: perfect."

When the doc examined Joe's heart, he didn't need a stetho-er-microsc-er- you know one of those things, because you could hear his heart beat without one of those gadgets. So the doc put down "heart beat: 78". Then he told Joe to move his left toe. After this, doc inserted "Heart, after exercise: 98".

I got a letter from Joe yesterday. He's in the Officer's Training School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Which all goes to show something or other, but I don't know what.



ABOUT FACE

Sgt. O'Holler: Hey, you!

Pvt. Wanderer: Me, Sergeant?

Sgt.: Yas, you. You should've been here at eight.

Pvt.: Why, did something happen?

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

—Marie Manfredi

CAMP HIGH LIGHTS

We hear that the reason Pvt. Roxie Girard so greatly enjoyed his K. P. duty for 2 weeks, and just dreaded to forsake it, was (yes! you guessed it) for the simple reason he could get all the food he wanted!



Pvt. Edward Girard, (the former's cousin) who's in the Signal Corps, certainly got his signals right when he discovered that Gilbert Roland of the movies was in his company. We notice that Pvt. Nick Paoletta is seeing Panama first-hand these days. . . Corp. Alfred Gargano is now overseas, incidentally, he also extended us some handsome compliments . . . Pvt. Idalo Casino writes that after viewing the Virginia girls **None** can compare with the Cleveland gals back home. Thanx bud!!

Tony R. Casella, who is back in the army again, has certainly been stepping it up in the few weeks he's been in. We learned that he's been made First Cook, and now holds the title of "Sergeant". Keep up the good work, and we mean cooking it!

Pfc Sam Durante, Pvt. Angelo Caporaso, Pvt. Dominic Barone, Pfc Jack Molina, and S2/c John "Midgie" Ciliberto were all home on furlough, not forgetting to mention the week-end jaunts Pvt. Frank Cali enjoys.

Before Frank Pirronelli left for Camp Perry, he upped and took the final step. Yes, he's now an old married man, and incidentally, her first name is "May."

Pvt. Peter Ferretti loves his spaghetti so much, that his mother and fiancé had to take the coveted delicacy to him on his first week end out at Camp Perry.

Dr. D. Caravona, who was well-liked by all, was also called to reinforce the army. We miss him and wish him the best of luck.

Two brothers in the armed forces are Sergeants Angelo and Peter Mazzone. The former is a chief radio operator, and the latter is busy in the Field Artillery. It looks as though they are both stepping it up together!

Apprentice Seaman Edmond D'Aiuto looked mighty sharp in his uniform when we last saw him, and he informs us that he really and honestly enjoys working in the Coast guards.

BEAUTY AND DUTY: A POEM

I slept and dreamed that life was beauty.

I woke—and found that life was duty:

Was my dream, then, a shadowy lie?

Toil on, sad heart, courageously,

And thou shalt find thy dream shall be

A noonday light and truth to thee.

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT:

Sam Brooks surprised everyone by his sudden marriage to Mary Topek. As usual, he's on business, but soon will be with Uncle Sam! . . . Wedding bells rang in sunny California for Tina DelMedico and her soldier boy . . . Guy Marinelli also middle aisled it November 7th . . . Jimmie Tortelli, new draftee, and Rose Spinelli (two St. Rocco Alumnae) announced their engagement Sunday, November 8th . . . Mary DiGioia (nee Zanzano) went to live with her husband, Nick, who is now stationed in Texas . . . Pvt. Michael Riccardi, Jr., and his "heart-ache", Virginia Lyons, were married in Florida some weeks ago. Late bulletin: Claudia Cianfarani, member of the Gazette, was engaged Nov. 8 to Fred Guzzo.

Every Thursday night, bedlam breaks loose in the Church Hall, for the First Aid Class goes to town and bandages everything and everyone in sight. The number attending the classes is gratifying and soon everyone will learn to SUCCESSFULLY administer artificial respiration, and suffer no broken ribs as a consequence!

Once more, fun for the kiddies at the Annual Fall Bazaar in the Parish Auditorium, and for the grown-ups too.

The Sodality of Our Lady of Mercy and the Knights of St. John collaborated in giving a Pizza & Sausage Dance at Schmotzer's Hall (on West 25th Street) last month, the proceeds going toward the Servicemen's Honor Roll (to be hung in the Church vestibule). Despite the rain, a crowd attended the affair.

The Gene Zannoni's became the proud parents of a baby boy recently, and the new papa is so proud that his buttons fairly pop off every time he mentions the little tyke!

The enormous Great Dane all the school children love is none other than "Rex" the awesome-looking but gentle canine who is the latest addition to the parish.

November 22nd is a fatal day to Cleveland motorists, for gas rationing starts at that date!

Notre Dame and Navy fans were willing to get soaked to the skin in order to cheer their team to victory. (cough) we ought to know!!!

What gobbling and clucking at the Turkey and Chicken Raffle in the Church Hall on the 2 nights before Thanksgiving!

Incidentally, St. Rocco's joined wholeheartedly in the Scrap Drive (held recently) so that now we are minus the iron-fence that inclosed the Church yard.

FIGURE THIS OUT

If you were dying of ennui because you had to get on a ship that had two mates and no captain, what kind of ship is it and what's wrong with you?

(Look for answer on another page).

Cleveland Sports in Review

The local Charity game for the city Senate championship will take place on Nov. 26. Latin and Collinwood will battle it out in a playoff fray to decide who will oppose Lincoln, tops in the West Side Senate. In their annual game with West Tech, Lincoln won, 19-0. The Tech Carpenters have failed to win a game this year.

Clevelanders witnessed Notre Dame whip Navy 9-0 and Ohio State ride over Illinois 44-20. Both games were at the Stadium. The Rams landed third place in the Pro League. As usual, Chicago Bears and Green Bay Packers walloped them. Indian Jack Jacobs, prize rookie of the Rams, joined the Army Air Corps.

Bill Cook's hockey Barons seem headed for a good season. Their most dangerous opponent seems to be Buffalo. Goalie Moe Roberts and several other valuable men entered the service, but returning veterans such as Cunningham and Robertson backed by some promising rookies have given the Barons 4 wins out of 6 games so far.

On the boxing front Jimmy Bivins overwhelmed Bob Pastor in 10 rounds. Ed Bang's Christmas show will feature the sensational colored flash, Sugar Robinson, against Izzy Jannazzo.

SERVICE MEN TO RECEIVE GIFTS

In preceding years, the St. Vincent de Paul Society has brought comfort and cheer to others. It is now upholding this tradition, upon which the club is founded, by turning its attention toward the armed forces of the U. S. A. In other words, here is a hot TIP to expect a package for Christmas, boys!!!

TO HIS COUSIN IN KHAKI

INTRODUCING ZEKE

Dear Cousin:

Your Uncle has a job at last. The first time he has worked in 48 years.

We are rich now—\$17.25 every Thursday. So we went to Sears & Roebuck for one of them new fandangled bathrooms like you rich people have up north. It came and we got it all set up right. You should see her!

Over on one side of the room is a big, long white thing like the pigs drink out of, only you get in it and take a bath all over at once. Over on the other side of the room is a little white gadget hanging on the wall called a "Zinc." This is for light washing, like face and hands. They also sent us a roll of writing paper, but is kinda cheap, I think. It rips easy.

But over in the corner—WOW! They got a thing that you put one foot in and scrub till it gets clean. Then you pull a chain and get fresh water for the other foot.

Yours truly,

Cousin Zeke.

P. S.—Two lids came with the darn thing, but we ain't had no use for 'em. So ma's using one for a bread board, and we framed Grandpa's picture in the other.

Look Who's Home on Furlough

—Dora Casino



Angelo Mazzone

Sitting across from his mother's proud gaze and eating a delicious meal was Staff Sergeant Angelo Mazzone home on furlough for the second time in two years. Angelo, who is 25, enlisted in the army with Cpl. Pete Petitti and they were one of the first boys to leave from Ward 5. He is stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia, being a radio operator in the armored division. He is very much interested in his work and likes it a lot.

Angelo's favorite sports are swimming and bowling. The swimming agrees with him perfectly since it has helped develop him into a very tall, well-built man. He thinks the war spirit should be en-

couraged more and he hopes every fighting son has a nice Christmas no matter where he is.

Angelo's brother, Pete, who is 26, is stationed at Camp Edwards, Mass. Pete is also a sergeant and has been in the army for the past eight years. He has been to Hawaii, Panama, and many other foreign countries during those eight years. Last July Pete and Angelo were home on their respective furloughs at the same time and it was the first time they saw each other in five years. Nick, who will leave shortly for the army, will represent the third star in the window of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mazzone.



Pete Mazzone

THESE BOYS LEFT RECENTLY

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Our Boys Are Now Marching on the Road to Victory

... May They Soon Be Marching Back Home Again



Each day the little spark of hope that began on Guadalcanal will be nourished by the loved ones of every soldier, sailor and marine until it grows into the flame of victory. May this victorious flame be a beacon of peace for all the people of the world; may it bring every mother's son back safely to her, to stay home forever more.

More and more this earnest wish is approaching its fulfillment. Our boys over there are pushing their way across the road to victory. Johnny and Sammy aren't there for the adventure of it. They are fighting for us, all of us back home. They are fighting to help us preserve our American way of living. It is a beautiful sentiment

that is urging and inspiring our young men on towards the goal that they know is really worth fighting for. Eager eyes will scan flashing headlines all over the country on that eventful day of victory.

If even people outside our country are willing to sing "God bless America"—are not America's own native sons anxious to defend their heritage, liberty? This is worth fighting for. And praying for, too. One and all pray that 1943 be the year of victory, the year that will bring our boys in uniform safely back home.

—M. R.



Fr. Gattuso Observes Jubilee

On Sunday, Dec. 27 Father Gattuso observed the silver jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood by celebrating Solemn High Mass in St. Rocco's Church, where he has been pastor for 19 years. He was ordained in 1917. Auxiliary Bishop James McFadden and Mayor Frank Lausche were among those invited to the morning services. The Very Rev. Alfred Scotti, Father General of the Mercedarian Order, preached, and the Rev. Serapion Gonzales, O.D.M., of Milwaukee, was deacon. All the societies of the parish participated in these ceremonies.

In the afternoon a banquet was held, and in the evening a civic reception took place. Both events were at Swiss Hall.

The parishioners, like at all times in the past, were very generous in lending their assistance to make the anniversary observance of their pastor a success. Both young and old, and even some service men, were on hand to convey their best wishes to Fr. Gattuso and to wish him a more bountiful future.

Credit Union Is a Year Old

St. Rocco's Credit Union is a veteran organization now. It was a year ago that 30 original members made application for a federal credit union charter. Success has been attained, with the assets reaching upwards to \$2,000. The membership is increasing steadily. At present, even the school children have been joining in great numbers. The organization's leaders are: Patrick Avon, chairman; Dominic Corrado, Ralph Crisafi and Marie Manfredi. Besides this executive committee, there exists a board of directors, a supervisory and a credit committee.

ONE MORE WAAC

Chalk up another WAAC for our community. Latest news is that Theresa Camerata, a graduate of St. Rocco's School, has joined the WAACS. Marion Ballare was the first of our parish to join up. Theresa has the distinction of being the first girl graduate of St. Rocco's to don the uniform. Now don't forget to salute these girls, fellows!

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Editorial—

VICTORY . . . PEACE

Christ taught the world the meaning of love and charity. Most of the nations accepted His Divine teachings and therefore called themselves Christian. Unfortunately, we now find the entire world locked in a whirling chaos of hate and fury, a mad and cruel war. Charity and brotherhood once more forgotten, spirituality thrust aside!

As the new year is ushered in, the eyes of the world peer anxiously ahead. On the horizon is a gleam of hope. The weary hearts of men begin to hope and feel that peace is near. If only mankind would follow Christ, how simple then it would be to achieve the desired peace. As we are struggling to smother the fury of this all-out war, can we keep Christianity alive as a vital, living thing in reshaping the post-war world, and in bringing to the enslaved millions the blessings of freedom?

Peace forever! What a beautiful thought! But to realize an everlasting peace, religion must continue to appease the hunger of the human heart.

—M.R.

LEST YOU FORGET

Let us remind you that we should like to hear from all the service men that receive this paper. After all, this paper is for you. We should like to know especially if you do not receive your copy of the Gazette.

Attention, families of service men: please give us any information regarding your boy serving Uncle Sam and any change of rank or address so we can make sure he gets his paper. Get in touch with any member of the staff who are listed on page two.

Pastor's Message

My dear Boys:

Our Gazette will finally reach you after some months of silence. I am very glad to tell you that from now on, save unseen events, the Gazette will come to you regularly; with the Gazette you will have first hand news from the old town and particularly from good St. Rocco's parish. The usual features which have made our paper so attractive will be kept

faithfully; others will be added as time may suggest it. You will be very interested to know that our Gazette has added to its regular staff some of the older members of the parish who are so full of enthusiasm towards you and our paper.

Well, boys, how are you? From the many letters I receive from so many and distant places I have good news from all. Here everything is all right. Everybody is doing the best toward the cause. Folks at home are fine and brave; even our good and not so young mamas are doing their bit, and how! Imagine some of the mamas who have passed more than the middle of their age coming to me and asking letters of recommendation for work; but they do it and well. Above all, all are praying for you, my dear boys. You can be assured that you are the dearest object of our common prayers, Holy Communion. We are with you and for you. If you suffer somehow, we too suffer and gladly. You know all the rationing we have; it is not such a pleasant thing, but when we think of you, of the boys who are on the front line, we smile at all the rationing and like it. The good old pioneers who made this country what it is had it a lot harder than we have. We like our little privations particularly because that way we contribute to your material welfare.

You will be very happy to know that, thanks be to God, all our boys who have partaken in some of the fiercest actions have all come out fine. The Japs tried very hard to get our 1/c S. Strizzi, but he outsmarted them very bravely; other boys faced the children of the rising sun in Guadalcanal and some where else, but they won. Yes, **not one of our boys has been killed yet.** So let's thank God.

I suppose that for this time I have said enough. Be good, my dear boys and obedient with your superiors; kind and friendly with your companions. Hear Mass regularly; go to confession and Holy Communion. If there is anything I can do for you please do not hesitate to write. Your letters are most welcome and I keep them as something sacred. Cheer up, boys. God bless and keep you all.

Affectionately yours,

● Fr. S. Gattuso, O.D.M.

A CHEERFUL VERSE

Soldier, soldier, gone to war;
 Your thoughts are ours, more and more!
 We feel your pride in tasks well done,
 And join in victories you have won;
 When troubled we all fret with you,
 Your loneliness our burden, too.
 We listen to the birds you hear
 And know your prayer that peace be near.
 Brother, brother, far away,
 We share your happiness today?

C.D.N.

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Letters From Camp

V-Mail, Overseas

Dear Friends,

Received your paper and was very honored having my name in it. Best wishes.

Pfc. Johnny Washelesky

Camp Claiborne, Louisiana

Dear Editor:

I've been gone from home for so long I wouldn't know what's going on back home except for your informative and interesting little paper.

Pvt. Mike Scarpelli

Fort Benning, Georgia

Howdy Gazetteers:

Really appreciated your paper. It sure is great to hear from home. The cigarettes were welcome, too.

O/C John Messuri

Dearborn, Michigan

To the Staff:

The Gazette was swell. Thanks. You're doing a wonderful job.

S 2/c John Ciliberto

Like A Letter From Home

that is the purpose of the

ST. ROCCO'S SERVICE MEN GAZETTE

FAST LIFE

First mother: These modern girls sure need discipline at times.

Second mother: They certainly do! Only last night I had to send my daughter to bed without her breakfast.

SITUATION WANTED

There are no men to go with,
Not even one to see,
I guess I'll have to get a job
In an airplane factory.
—L.L.

GUESS AGAIN!

This month's riddle: A certain word all women are fond of. (Answer will be found on another page.)
(Answer to last month's riddle which was: You are dying of ennui aboard a ship with two mates and no captain—in other words, a courtship and you're bored to death).

EXTRA! SOLDIERS GO BUY-BUY!

This is a true story reported by the daily press. Two Camp Shelby soldiers well equipped with some months' pay and considerable other dough (these were real dough-boys!) decided to return to camp in a taxi. The driver told them the fare would be \$6.

"Six dollars!" yelled the soldiers, "that's too much."

But they climbed in and started off, still arguing with the driver, who, exasperated, finally shouted: "Why in the world don't you buy yourselves a cab?"

Out came two bulging wallets. "O. K.," said the soldiers, "we'll give you \$250 for this bus."

The driver sold it on the spot.

Then the soldiers drove the driver back to town—for \$6.

NEXT RATIONING: THE BLUES

Housewife: What makes this milk so blue?

Milkman: It must be these cold, wet nights that depress the cows.

THIS GRUB IS A BIG MESS

A rookie, passing the mess hall, asked the cook: "What's on the menu tonight?"

"Oh, we have hundreds of things for chow."

"What are they?"

"Beans."

To His Cousin In Khaki

FEATURING ZEKE

Dear Cousin:

I hope you got my letter last time. I sent it to you minus the picture in the right hand corner; I heard folks call it a stampede or something. Well, it's taking me a month to write this to you. I write a line a day, and that's work, mind you. Why, I don't work that hard on the farm.

One of my hitched brethren got a blessed event. May it never happen again. Every night he paces the floor with the shrieking thing in his arms. You should hear the racket. Talk about Dagwood! But, by golly, he got so plum tired doing this night beat that he told his better half, "Wonder why this kid won't sleep at night." His sugar answered sweetly, "I can't imagine, I haven't any trouble keeping her asleep in the daytime."

Me and your aunt Clangabelle went to the circus last week. Auntie was flabbergasted at seeing one of those animals with a long neck. The zookeeper told us it was a native of Africa. Auntie said, "Goodness, old man Perkins says his Johnny wrote from Africa that he married one of them." I haven't seen Paw all day. Neighbor Perkins, that fogey, isn't in sight either. His croney says her man is out fishing with my Paw. But Maw is sure that's a fish story.

Yours truly, Cousin Zeke.

P. S.—As I write, Paw is struggling through the door. It looks like the load of fish is so heavy he got stiff carrying it.

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

—Marie Manfredi

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS

Home on furlough, and enjoying the home town atmosphere were: Cpl. P. Petitti, Cpl. V. Ardito, Tony Negro U.S.N., Pvt. E. Girardi, Seaman Troy Bellini, Pfc. S. Galio-ta, Pvt. P. Galiardi, Pvt. Joe Spinelli, Pvt. Vito Anelli, Pvt. Johnny Buo, Tony Monte U.S.N., Lt. J. Messuri, Sgt. T. Casella, Frank Cali, O.C., Cpl. M. Antonelli, Pvt. D. Barone, Pvt. D. Toffanetti, Cpl. M. Zona, Pfc. C. Vacca, and snatching in week-end stays were: Pvt. F. Pirronelli, Pvt. J. Girardi, Pvt. P. Ferretti, Pvt. V. Tabacco, Pfc. S. Bonfiglio and Pfc. S. Durante.



Remember that big hunk of handsomeness Alphonse Ciccone? Well, he's making all the dark-eyed coleens hearts go aflutter in Ireland. More power to you, Pfc. . . . Cpl. Lee Nicholas is certainly having a most unusual and rare time out in the Fiji Isles, or are we wrong Lee?

Happily coming home on a two week's furlough to be best man for a certain wedding, was Pfc. Sam Galio-ta. Pvt. Williams evidently is of the intellectual type. When he graduated, Pat not only received the usual diploma, but rated another one for distinguished merit.

Pvt. Mike Girardi, gunner at Tyndall Field, reports that THE Clark Gable is a regular guy. Mike is also going in for flying in a big way now, and is especially thrilled when the plane travels upside-down.

Two more lads have entered in our "Wedded Bliss" list, they are: Pvt. Orlando Tonti, now in England, and Sgt. Peter Mazzone. Both took the step at their respective camps. Late Flash! Sgt. Alfred Gargano writes that he celebrated Christmas by announcing his engagement to a sweet English girl by the name of "Paddy".

Pvt. Louis Sforza was hearing Mass, under the Florida Palm trees when much to his surprise he sighted Pvt. Jimmy Tortelli among the congregation. After Mass, both boys joyfully greeted each other and sauntered along the Florida beach reminiscing over old times, when who should come walking toward them, but none other than Pvt. Johnny Santosuoso! Well you can well imagine what a time those three had!

Many thanks for the lovely greetings from Pvt. F. Pirronelli, Pfc. and Mrs. Joe Coniglio, John Ciliberto S2/c, Pfc. Nick Paoletta, and Sgt. Petric. Thanks to Pfc. Glatzhoefer for his picture from Hawaii, and to Rollie Marconi for his compliments.

Edmond D'Aiuto, coastguard, who is now stationed in Cleveland, declared he led the life of Reilly (while in Bufalo) in the Elk's Club taken over by the Coast Guard.

Home on furlough and proudly displaying his gold bars was Lt. John Messuri. Congratulations Lieutenant!

HERE'S ANSWER TO RIDDLE

The "last word." Did you guess correctly?

Pfc. Victor Tabacco and Pvt. Peter Ferretti are great chums these days at Camp Campbell, Ky. Pete tearing around on all sorts of vehicles playing the role of a "glorified messenger boy" while Vic is constantly organizing—such as basket-ball teams etc., incidentally, he's in the Small Arms Division.

Cpl. Paul Pavia almost had a visitor in Nö. Caledonia from Sgt. Ugo Cioletti. The boys missed each other by a few hours.

We are happy to report that Pvt. Raymond Melillo has fully recuperated from his parachute accident. Best of luck, Ray!

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT

Ann Anelli (née Zambetti) happily visited her husband, Vito, in Camp Lee, Virginia, and he is now returning the visit home (on a furlough).

Edna Cordisco donned the orange blossoms when she two-ed it with Joe Bayer. . . . Living in Massachusetts very very near to her hubby, is Angela (Pavia) O'Neill . . . Frank Cordisco also middleaisled it . . . Alfred Marconi is proud to announce that he is the father of a baby girl called "Donna Jean."

Tillie Petitti surprised everyone when she announced her marriage. He's in the Army now.

Rita Melillo is reported to be in California vacationing with some friends.

Gene Zannoni enlisted in the Navy and is due to leave soon. He will attend Northwestern, and emerge as an Ensign. Good going Gene, make that little tyke proud of you!

Navy Day was held at North Italian Hall with many high-ranking officials present. The program was interesting and varied, and a record crowd attended.

A great time was had by all at the Silver Jubilee banquet in honor of Fr. Gattuso on the anniversary of his Ordination. We're sure that you all would have enjoyed it as much as those lucky few did, who happened to be home on furlough. They were: Frank Cali, O.C., Sgt. Anthony Casella, S/2c Tony Monte, Cpl. Mile Antonelli, Pvt. Domenic Barone, Cpl. Mike Zona, Pfc. Carl Vacca.

Open-house was held at the new monastery just purchased at Middleburgh Heights, by the Fathers of Mercy. This beautiful mansion, situated on 72 acres of land, was formerly the old Leisy Estate. Novitiating there are Brothers Michael Zannoni, Joseph Antonucci, Andrew Costanzo, and Tullio Grassi.

Mr. A. Manfredi, President of St. Vincent de Paul Conference, and Gazetteer's Club—acknowledge all letters of thanks received from you boys.

There has been an influx of engagements recently, among the most recent ones who have plighted their troth are: Loreto Cianfarani and Frieda Paolozzi, Evelyn Girardi and Bob Ross, Betty Sforza and Andrew Burchen, Edith Melillo and Eddie.

Plaudits to Joe Messuri upon achieving All-Scholastic honors as a member of the Lincoln High squad.

Eddie Paoletta had a big send-off before being inducted into the Army. Wonder if he's over it yet?

Presenting Some of Our Service Men

—by Dora Casino



Jimmy Rutti

Pvt. Jimmy Rutti, Jr., is a soldier with a boyish smile. He is now somewhere in the Pacific War Zone with the Quartermaster Corps. His family has been inclined to believe he is stationed in Alaska. The fellows back home remember "Cherry" for his spitball pitching back home. Now he is in there pitching for the U. S. A. Jimmy, in a letter to the staff, says he gets real enjoyment reading the Gazette, adding: "You do your part at home and we'll do the rest." Somewhere in the Pacific War Zone also is another Jimmy Rutti (not Junior), a cousin. If they ever happen to meet, their commander better decide whom he wants before he says "Jimmy!" A younger brother, Roccie, also in the Army, is at Texas.



Jack Molina

A bronzed face blending in with nice brown hair, plus a very delightful southern drawl, Pfc. Jack Molina, who has been in Uncle Sam's Army for ten months already. Jack is in the Quartermaster Detachment at Fort Bliss, Texas. He thinks the girls are beautiful besides being great jitter-bugs. He said the older people are kind and gentle and never pass up a soldier without saying "hello" or smiling. Two more of Jack's brothers left recently for the Army. They are Aldo and Mario.



Pete Petitti

Peter Petitti enlisted in the Army on November 22, 1940 to help fight for a cause which he knew would eventually involve every able-bodied American. When Pete, who is 23, left the old familiar neighborhood, he was one of the first to leave from the Fifth Ward. Now that lad is a Technical Corporal in Uncle Sam's Army and is driving a two and half ton supply truck. He is stationed in Nashville, Tennessee, but expects to be transferred from there soon. Peter has been home four times in the past two years.

Quoting Peter: "Of course the boys in our company, like all the rest of the boys, are anxious to get to the front. December 7, 1941 is known to us as the day when a snake in the grass struck. On that day all furloughs were cancelled and many of us were deprived of seeing our families on Christmas Day. This is only one of the many reasons that will make the American boys never forget Pearl Harbor!"

He is a graduate of St. Rocco's and also attended Lincoln High School. Pete's brother, Angelo, left Nov. 17, 1942

IT'S SEAMAN TONY NOW!

Who couldn't help notice Tony Monte strolling around the neighborhood in his bright Navy uniform. Tony, while on furlough, said that he was the gladdest person in the world when he received the last issue of the Gazette. He wants to see it go ahead. "It's a big thrill to be on the receiving end this time," he declares. Last issue was dedicated to him and a special copy was sent to him as a present by the grateful Gazetteers. Tony always keeps in touch with the Staff.

WHITE HOUSE GREET'S GAZETTERS

The Editor was the recipient of a message from the White House thanking the Staff for the Gazette and commending it for the typical patriotic work being done. Not bad, eh?

REMINDER TO CLASS OF '34

St. Rocco's School's first graduates, the Class of '34, will recall that they took a pledge to have a grand reunion in 1944, after ten years. We sincerely hope that for this reason, too, victory will be speeded. Members of that class in the U. S. armed forces are: Anthony Monte, S 2/c, Sgt. Carl Principe, Pvt. James Tortelli, Pvt. Michael Riccardi, Sgt. Peter Laudi, Pvt. Michael Anguilano, Pvt. Casper Marconi, Pvt. Dominic Colino. Hurry it up, fellows!

SPECIAL MASSES OFFERED

Holy Mass was celebrated twice on special occasions. Once for the deceased members of St. Rocco's Parish, and another time for the welfare of all St. Rocco's fighting men.

OUR SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to Vito Amato, U.S.N., who flew home to attend his mother's funeral.

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Our Lady of Mercy Novena Made by Families Provides Plentiful Prayers for Our Boys in Uniform

Petitions for special favors add up daily and the Novena to Our Lady of Mercy goes on without interruption. Hundreds of mothers have placed their sons in uniform under Our Blessed Lady's unfailing protection. The Novena affords the folks back home immense consolation and hope. There are many of our servicemen wearing Her medal around their necks. May they receive Her tenderest and choicest blessings and favors in the hour they call on her aid and cheer.

Our Lady, we are certain, will watch over our boys wherever they may find themselves on the four corners of the globe. No one who invoked God's assistance through the Blessed Virgin's intercession was ever unheard if his plea was made with good will.

May this sweetest and holiest of mothers keep a special place in her heart for our boys. May she watch over them and bring them safely to their dear families. In this beautiful month of May, Mary's month, we lovingly dedicate this issue of the Gazette to the Mother of Jesus. As Queen of peace, may She intercede with Her Divine Son to bring peace to the war-weary world.



OUR LADY OF MERCY

Msgr. Schaffeld Is Mourned

Pastor of St. Michael's neighboring Church and a great friend of St. Rocco's Parish, Msgr. John A. Schaffeld died on May 12 at the age of 76 as he was attending a school function. His kindness and joviality endeared him to thousands on the West Side. He was known as "Father John".

On Dec. 17, 1942 Father John had observed the golden jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood. He was ordained in 1892. In these 50 years as a priest of God, he devoted much of his time to the education of youth.

Father John was particularly kind to our community and participated in every important event of our parish. He also enjoyed the distinction of being a Commander in the Order of Our Lady of Mercy, an honor bestowed by the Order to special benefactors.

Funeral services were held on Monday, May 17 at St. Michael's Church. Coadjutor Bishop Edward Hoban officiated, while priests of the Diocese assisted with the Divine Office of the Dead.

City Hit By Ripping Tornado

On the evening of April 27, a rain storm occurred in our town. Clevelanders at first were indifferent to it, being accustomed to such dreary weather. At about 9 o'clock, however, the storm whipped itself into a "twister" and an unusual tornado raged through the city. Certain sectors on the East and West Side were struck, causing notable damage. About 100 families were left homeless.

Our neighborhood had its share of damage. The tornado ripped its way through the Clark district from Fulton Road to W. 65th Street. On W. 38th two houses were completely torn down. One of Dietrich's garages on Fulton Rd. was swept entirely onto Paris Court. Whole roofs of some houses were shaved off by the little cyclone. Even some autos were left wrecked.

Streets were littered with debris and live wires.

Doing exceptional work in handling the damage and directing emergencies were Air Raid Wardens Dominic Corrado, Anthony Aueletta, Tony Malasca and Dominic Carino.

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Editorial—

THERE'S A WAR TO WIN

While our lads are pounding heavily away at the Axis, and victory seems to get closer each day, nevertheless the end of this all-out war is still far off. To assure for ourselves complete victory there must be cooperation on everyone's part. Since the soldiers certainly are doing their share of the work, it remains that the civilians put in their portion of activity in the war effort.

An essential phase of this work is morale. Morale is the spirit necessary to win. Our families can accomplish an important role in bolstering the morale of our fighting boys. This can be done by faithful and frequent letter-writing. As the new regulation forbids newspapers and packages to be sent overseas, we can make up for this privation by writing letters more often. A letter to a lonely soldier means more than a thousand luxuries. Letters will make him happy. And besides, a cheerful soldier is more determined to fight for the security of his loved ones.

Letters have proved what the Gazette means to our boys in the service. Families who have boys on overseas duty would do well to send this paper in their ordinary mail, if necessary a sheet at a time, as we may no longer be able to mail it to them through the regular channels.

—Editor

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Staff wishes to express its gratitude on behalf of the service men to those whose generous contributions made possible another issue of the Service Men Gazette.

Pastor's Message

My Dear Boys—Sunday, May the 9th all the families throughout the United States paid high honor to the sweetest of all creatures on earth: our Mothers. This day is ever beautiful for our good mamas and for their children. It affords us all the opportunity of showing our love, our joy, our deepest appreciation for the good mother God gave us, for all that she did from the very first moment we saw the light. It is a very pleasant duty to tell our mamas, once a year and in a special way, how much we love them. Before we entered the war the whole family was gathered together on Mother's Day around her, and made her feel so happy and proud. This year many sons and daughters are away from their homes; but Mother's Day went on just the same; the same good wishes; flowers and sweets were given to mothers, even from far away sons. A soft knocking at the door made many mamas' hearts beat Saturday night and Sunday morning, May 8, and 9; tears came fluently from their eyes: Johnny had sent flowers . . . from England, or Alaska, or Iceland. . .

In my estimation Mother's Day of 1943 has been a better one than in many past years. Don't you think that for so many reasons, which it would be too long to say, sons did not have that kind love of a generation or two towards their mamas, and viceversa? In many a home mother had become a simple old fashioned lady, even at forty; mothers, some mothers any way, were considering their children as an unbearable cross. Money had become the main concern for the members of many families; give the old lady \$5.00 or \$10.00 a week and throw the rest in pool rooms, joy riding with automobiles and girls, betting on horses, breaking necks with the famous tin can flivvers painted with all the colors of the rainbow and decorated with vulgar and double meaning expressions. That was the atmosphere in which once a year, on a day which looked like an armistice day, many, too many, youngsters were paying their love to their mamas. This year things were different. Sonny had been so suddenly taken away from home and sent first to a strenuous training camp; then he had been shipped in the South Pacific, or England, or North Africa, or the Middle or Far East. Death is their every minute affair; kill is the works. Cannon, machine guns, airplanes and many other deadly weapons are playing an infernal music. Privations of all kinds may be the lot of many sons and daughters. In this atmosphere mama thinks of her son. Where is he? "My Johnny!" Yes, her Johnny . . . She never thought that he meant so much to her. . . the former bad boy, rough neck, son of this and that. . . Ah! she knelt down on her knees and she prayed for him: "O Lord watch over my Johnny save him for me. . . O Blessed Mother you take my place at my Johnny's side, please". . . — And Johnny? Oh yes; he thought of his mama, and how! Johnny never felt so cheap as he did when he recalled the many times he had been unkind, and disobedient, and disrespectful, even rough, towards his best and sincerest friend on earth. Yes; he recalls the long hours of night mama used to spend waiting for him when he would come home, when the day was just beginning, after spending hours and hours in dance halls with people of dubious and even bad reputation, or at pool rooms gambling, swearing, cursing, dealing with rough necks whom he sometimes admired and wanted to imitate. . . How many times poor mama lied to his papa to protect her Johnny from a well deserved beating. . . How many times she had saved his supper and served him with the same motherly love and care. . . How did

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ST. ROCCO'S Roll of Honor



"Under His Holy standard shalt thou conquer."

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Pvt. Ralph Puntel
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Pvt. Carmen Stavo'o
Pvt. Guido Favogrossa
Pvt. Mario Spinelli
Pvt. Emil Paoletta

Letters From Overseas

c/o Postmaster, N. Y.

Dear Gazetters:

I wish to express my deepest appreciation and thanks for sending me the Gazette. It brings me closer to my friends and makes me feel as though I was never away. Thanks also for the carton of "Cigs".

Sgt. John Petric, Jr.

Fifi Islands

Dear Staff:

I can't thank you enough. The Gazette is like "another letter from home". Though we are scattered to all corners of the world, this newspaper is like a chain linking us together. Lee Nicholas is on the same island with me.

Staff Sergeant James G. Rutti

Southwest Pacific

Hi-jah All:

Have just received my Gazette and talk about a happy Yank. It really is a wonder paper and to the staff goes my whole-hearted admiration. Glad to know how the boys from the parish are getting along in the service.

Cpl. Lee Nicholas

Somewhere Overseas

Dear Friends:

It felt good to read about the old neighborhood again. I have been kept pretty busy lately, mainly by Jap bombers. I've traveled some since I left the States a year ago, Australia, New Caledonia and Guadalcanal. I read in the Gazette about Paul Pavia being in N. Caledonia and I meant to look him up, only we moved on right away.

Sgt. Ugo Cioletti

REMINDER

Send in to 3156 Fulton Road, care of the Gazetters, any change of address of service men and news thereof.

TO HIS COUSIN IN KHAKI

FEATURING ZEKE

Dear Cousin:

The big moment is here. The Army wants me. I went to the doctor for the exam. I still remember a doctor who gave me a bottle of medicine which I never took because it said on the label, "Keep the bottle tightly closed." The other time I saw a doctor was when I swallowed a live rat. (This happened when I was a-snoring away and Maw shouted "Close your trap" and in went the vermin that was biting away at my nose.) Well, the doctor told me I could take care of it easily by swallowing a cat, too.

After the exam, I asks the army doctor for a special prescription. Since I'm a-goin to be a soldier, I need something extra-powerful to lick the Axis. What I need, I says, is something to stir me up, to put me in fighting trim. Did you put anything like that in the prescription?—I asks him. "No," he up and says, "you'll find that in the pill."

Well, those pills were those there vitimens. All kinds of small boxes and bottles. At the drug store they told me that this brown tablet was for digestion, this pink one for respiration, these for vitimen C, these . . . and I says, how

My Day - In An Army Camp

—by DORA CASINO

It has been this reporter's distinct pleasure to have visited an army camp in Atlanta, Georgia, and to report my findings to the Gazette.

Taking a bus from the heart of Atlanta in the morning I arrived at the camp in the afternoon. I suppose, it wasn't news to you "boys" to see one another in your "fatigue outfits". But to a young lady filled with ideas about the glamour that surrounds men in uniform, and then to have seen them coming down the path looking like relics from the Civil War — that certainly shattered all illusions. Soon I became conscious of the fact that everything was G-I this and G-I that. So, I very humbly asked what G-I meant. It seemed the fellows did not realize that to the civilian everything is No. 17 this and red stamp, blue stamp that.

After all of the "lingo" was straightened out, we went over to the Service Club. Now there was a place of real beauty. It had windows, walls, chairs, floors, doors, and — "men." I appreciated those things after seeing what happened to Cleveland after the Tornado (April 27) and the draft! We then had a very absorbing game of ping-pong. Quite exhausted after the game, we decided to step to the P-X for drink (Coca Cola, of course).

Next in line was the U.S.O. dance in the evening. I know how you boys just love those affairs, that is, 5000 soldiers dancing with 100 girls. The band was composed of some of the boys in the camp. A certain young "Georgia Cracker" insisted on singing with the band. Trying hard, the boys just couldn't drown her out.

After the dance came to a close, all the "Georgia Crackers" and myself were piled into a bus and away we went. Then started the old "gab" which is typical of any woman, be she from way down South or from the North. "Did you all have a good time?" "Oh, Honey Chile, wasn't that soldier with dark curly hair simply divine?" Etc., etc., into the night. Thus the bus drove off into the darkness, clattering with giggling, idealistic, gabbing, romantic women. And there I sat, thinking about my day in an army camp.

in blazes are them pills gonna know how to get to the right place? By golly!

Well, the next stop was the induction center. There, among other things, they stuck one of those VCOTK cards in front of me, and asked me if I could read those letters. And here I says — "What letters?" Why those letters on the wall, they said. I says—what wall, doc? But he just said, "dumbhead," and pushed me in line. And so I'm in the army now. My next letter to you will be from camp.

Yours until we lick the Axis,

Cousin Zeke

OUR OFFICERS

The Service Men Gazette is proud to list the names of the commissioned officers from St. Rocco's parish. We congratulate these men on their rank:

Capt. Dominic Caravona
Capt. John Leacacos
Lieut. Frank Centanni
Lieut. John Messuri
Lieut. Jack Molina

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

— Marie Manfredi

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS

Seen home on furlough and catching up on all the local news were: Pfc. Sam Durante, Cpl. Peter Feretti, Sgt. Victor Tabacco, Pvt. Louis Lauria, Pvt. Vito Anelli, Cpl. Joe Girard, Sgt. Anthony Caselia, Capt. D. Caravona, Pvt. Anthony Ferretti, Cpl. Ferdinand Guzzo, Pvt. Louis Armagno, Sal DeBellis, U.S.N., Cpl. Joseph Coniglio, Pvt. C. Balbo, Pvt. Mike Melfi, 2nd Lt. John Messuri, Sgt. Mike Zona, and Pvt. D. Barone.

Tony Monte had a pleasant visit from his parents at the Navy Pier, in Chicago.

Added to our engaged list is Pvt. Joe Camerata.

The reason the boys out at Camp Polk are calling Sgt. A. Casella "Nugget Head" is for the simple fact that a tank door accidentally slammed on Tony's head — luckily he was wearing his helmet and is still able to tell the tale — plus a beautiful shiner and gash on his nose.

Pvt. Concetto Balbo took the final step at Camp not long ago, and recently brought his attractive bride with him home on furlough. — Sam Brooks is now a Private in the Army, how do you like it Sam? — Pfc. Sam Bonifiglio is now training men (or is it vice-versa Sam? — We hear that Pvt. Jimmy Rutti is now on the Aleutian Islands.

Cpl. Lee Nicholas, who is in the Fifi Isles, informed us via V-Mail that while unloading cargo, who should he bump into but Sgt. James Rutti; the boys were overcome with joy to see each other.

Sgt. Frank Antonucci is busy doing office work in England — Dante Bellini, who is now overseas, rang the wedding bells before he left.

The Girard brothers are stepping it up — Joe is now a Cpl. and Mike is now a S/Sgt, and speaking of Sgts., Ugo Cioletti and Joe Spinelli both strut their new stripes. Roxie Rutti was promoted to Corporal recently.

Mrs. Alfred Dadante visited her Pfc. down at Camp Hulén, Texas — Pvt. Raymond Melillo is proud of the sharpshooter's rating — he merited. — Pvt. Augustine Russo has been losing the pounds since he's been hiking 10 miles every other day.

Capt. Leacocos (husband of Velia nee DeMarco) complimented our paper, and since he's a journalist we feel quite proud to merit such plaudits.

Pvt. Sylvester DiCesare has a rare job — that of U. S. Marine Paratrooper.

Sgt. Alfred M. Gargano two-ed it with Patricia M. Fox (an English lassie) on February 15th, in a Roman Catholic ceremony in Amersham. Mrs. Culley, the bride's elder sister was Maid-of-honor, while Pvt. John Ripepi looked on.

A reception was held at Crown Hotel, Little Masseden, and the couple then spent their honeymoon in London. The local papers also gave the couple a nice writeup (Sgt. Gargano sent the clippings and pictures home). We wish Sgt. and Mrs. Gargano the best of luck.

Cpl. Ferdinand Guzzo received a visit, in Colorado, from his heart-beat Claudia Cianfarani and his mother. A week later he unexpectedly returned the visit. Incidentally he's dabbling in Dentistry now.

A SCOTCH ONE

They say a Scotchman opened his pocket-book recently and three moths flew out.

Pvt. Alfred Melillo, is a hero, and the reason is that he won the war all by himself — during maneuvers. The Sgt. sent Alfred ahead to scout for the enemy, so being of small stature, Al successfully hid himself in a tree, and was able to snipe out a whole platoon, as they came by, and the Sgt. pronounced them out. So, the boys in Al's outfit were so overjoyed that they carried him on their shoulders and paid him his just due.

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT

We civilians are living by points these days — canned goods, dairy products, coffee, sugar, and now meat are all rationed. Shoes have also been put on the list, and if one wishes to make an enemy — just let him attempt to get No. 17 stamp from us home folks.

Cpl. Joseph Coniglio became the proud papa of a baby boy, and was home for the baby's christening the following week — Speaking of babies Pvt. Vito Anelli was also honored when he was home on furlough, and with a little girl.

Marion Ballare W.A.A.C. proudly sporting her Sgt's stripes Easter Sunday. Incidentally Marion is now an Auntie, since Lawrence and Vicky Bailer are the proud parents of pretty little Bonita.

Anna (Monte) Collins is now staying with her husband in California — Angela (Pavia) O'Neill is now living at home again.

Marco Vulpio became engaged before leaving for the Army — Anthony Ferretti, tanned to a golden bronze, looked mighty sharp in his Marine's uniform.

Not so long ago — Cleveland had its first shipment of horsemeat. There was much discussion over it, but somehow, it failed to appeal to the public's palate — as most of it had to be given away, and the ones who enjoyed it the most were the animals in the Brookside Zoo.

The stork seems to have taken a liking to the neighborhood as there have been a number of new parishioners added: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stary — a boy, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Amato — a boy, Pfc. and Mrs. Felix Ciocca — a boy, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ragone — a boy.

A record crowd participated in the procession on Good Friday. Prayers were offered for the boys and girls in the armed forces.

The church was filled to capacity Easter Sunday, and as usual, bright colored clothes reigned supreme.

Florence Armagno middle-aisled just recently when her soldier boy came home on furlough. Incidentally, her sister Marie, is also a bride.

Everyone is still a trifle shaky from the tornado that struck so unexpectedly and viciously. Never was Fulton Rd., such a scene of excitement and commotion.

The Metropolitan Opera Season was a huge success this year.

It is with deepest sympathy that we offer our regret to Sgt. Mike Zona upon the death of his father.

Thank you all for the fine letters and cards we've received in the past, and we hope you'll keep on liking the paper.

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY

The Staff extends its deepest sympathy to Pvt. Sam Calandra, former Gazetteer, who left his army duties to attend his father's funeral.

St. Rocco's Honor Roll Is Dedicated



FATHER GATTUSO BLESSES THE HONOR ROLL

Rev. Fr. S. Gattuso, O.D.M., blessed and dedicated St. Rocco's Parish Honor Roll on Sunday, April 10, at 9 o'clock Mass. This beautiful tribute to our boys and girls in the service was made possible through the collaboration of the Girls' Sodality of Our Lady of Mercy and the Knights of St. John. At present there are 262 names on the roll.

Service men on furlough who were present at the dedication were: Coastguard Edmond D'Aiuto, Cpl. Peter Ferretti, Sgt. Victor Tabacco, Cpl. Joseph Girard and Pfc. Louis Lauria. The group all attended Holy Mass and Communion together, and Coastguard E. D'Oiuto, bearing the American flag, led the group into church. After the ceremony, all enjoyed a tasty breakfast prepared by the Girls' Sodality and served by the Knights of St. John.

SEE IF YOU CAN GUESS IT!

This month's riddle is: what five animals inhabit the land around the North Pole?—Look for the answer on another page.

TRAMP! TRAMP! TRAMP!

A tramp was begging for food at the door of a housewife who informed the gentleman of the road that she would give him a meal if he'd do some work. "Can you do anything with shovel," she asked. The answer came swiftly and nonchalantly, "Well, I could fry a piece of ham on it."

Back Home On Furlough

Vito Anelli

Smiling, sunburned and looking happy was Pfc. Vito Anelli, home on furlough. Inducted in September, 1942, he is in the quartermaster corps which is attached to the Air Base in Orlando, Florida. He was stationed formerly in Camp Lee, Va., with Pfc. Idalo Casino, another St. Rocco's boy. While in Camp Lee his wife, the former Ann Zambetti, went to visit him for two weeks. In Richmond, Va., he ran into blue jacket Gene Monai.

Vito, 25, likes army life — well, chow time, anyhow! As his hobbies were collecting cactus plants and growing unusual flowers, he was disgusted to find how the same flowers grew wild and plentiful in Florida while at home he toiled laboriously with them. Married for the past year and a half, he will soon be a very proud "papa". Louis, 23, his brother, is stationed at Fort Moultrie, South Carolina.

Louis Lauria

When Pfc. Louis Lauria came home on furlough, he was surprised to find both his younger brother, Anthony, and his younger sister, Louise, home at the same time. Anthony is a student at a Military Institute in Cincinnati and Louise attends Hillcrest School in Wisconsin.

Louis, 22, is stationed in Reno, Nevada, with the Chemical Company of the Army Air Base. He described to us a bit of the excitement the boys had at their base. One night Max Baer staged a boxing show for them. At another time the fellows were kept busy searching for a lunatic who had escaped from a nearby asylum. Lou's only complaint to the army is: "shaving in the moonlight."

Idalo Casino

Coming home on furlough in his own quiet way, which is characteristic of him, Pfc. Idalo Casino reports his new job is driving army trucks. He is now stationed in the desert training center in California. Prior to this he received training in Atlanta, Georgia.

Idalo, now 22, was a graduate of St. Rocco's School in 1936 and of Lincoln High in 1940. He will complete half a year's service with Uncle Sam's armed forces. Most people knew him as "Eggie," which is his nickname only. He was the kind of a kid that always smashed windows playing baseball and fixed flats on Saturday nights when on a spree. So he is a typical soldier.

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Johnny answer when she would plead with him: "Johnny please, stop this: you will kill yourself. Don't you see how weak, how nervous you are" . . . Johnny, how, what did you answer her? . . . Yes, I know how you feel now. Oh, you pray. . . "O good Lord, . . . my mommy. . . What is she doing now? . . . She is worrying. . . she is praying for me. . . Mother, what a fool I was in the past. . . I did not realize that you meant so much to me. . . Mother of Jesus, help my mama. . . I promise that at the end of the war I'll make up for the foolish ways I treated her. . . My mother. . . My mommy! . . ."

What's the matter, Johnny? I see tears in your eyes. . . and your mommy has tears in her eyes too. . . Blessed tears. . .

This has been Mother's Day of 1943; a better, a holier, a purer mother's day. And in considering all this we cannot afford but to say: O God, bless our mamas and their sons and daughters!

And God bless you all, my boys.

Fr. S. Gattuso, O.D.M.

LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME . .

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CLEVELAND, OHIO

MORE GLORY FOR "OLD GLORY"

KEEP IT FLYING!



UNITED
WE STAND!

Everywhere . . . atop every public building and from every home the "Stars and Stripes" waved proudly on the glorious Fourth of July. It touched us to behold OUR flag waving so majestically in the breeze on INDEPENDENCE day. Those two words were emphasized in the last sentence because so much meaning is embodied in them.

We can truly say that Old Glory is our flag. America's banner is bespangled with 48 stars — one for each free state. We belong in one of them. The United States is our country. She is like a tender mother and we are her faithful loving children. We are all equal; thus, all her opportunities, wealth and resources are open to us—ours for the asking if we choose to work and gain the honor and well-being we seek.

Independence, Liberty, Freedom. In the U. S. these words can be felt. The populace of other nations are crushed under tyranny's floor; we are more fortunate—even if we must struggle through Life we can do it as free men.

We can say and do what we want, within the bounds of our own just democratic laws. Americans worship God as their conscience dictates, not as dictators say. This is enjoying real freedom.

That flag is worth keeping. In this all-out war we must prove ourselves to the task. Let us fight to bring "more glory for Old Glory." Keep the "Stars and Stripes" flying in the land of the free!

—M. R.

"My Dear Boys"

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Six months of 1943 have gone by and I am convinced that it will be of great interest to you boys, spread in so many and far away places and countries, to know how has our dear parish of St. Rocco fared along in this first half of the year. Generally speaking we all reason to be contented and satisfied. You know very well that while you boys are engaged in actual combat or preparing for it, we at the home front are partaking more and more in the war. The civilian life you and we knew has been gradually changing into something different. Some of you boys who have been away from the States for a long time would hardly believe that things are so different from what they were. Plenty of money and nothing to spend it on; gas rationing; sugar and coffee, and meat and fats and canned foods, and shoes rationed; no more electric apparatus to buy, no more electric wire; no more automobiles to buy except second hand ones and not so many of them. These are some of the things that have brought quite a change in our habits. Old Fulton Rd., except for Cleveland noisy street cars, is

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City Buzzes with Activity

THE CLEVELAND SCENE

Cleveland is now 147 years old . . . did you know that? City officials and industrialists had a great meeting to plan post-war Cleveland . . . 5 miles of Yanks from Camp Perry marched in the Fourth of July Parade . . . Same evening: colorful Festival of Freedom staged . . . Cigarette drive for service men is going strong . . . Bomber plant opens near Airport, also new bus line . . . Drive started to collect thousands of phonograph records for service men . . . Eric Leinsdorf succeeds Artur Rodzinski as leader of Cleveland Orchestra . . . Bob Hope, Cleveland's gift to Hollywood, returns to entertain Clevelanders . . . Government allows Press to continue sending soldiers V-Mail pictures of wives and babies . . . Bigger Airport planned, near Lake probably . . . Father Walsh, formerly of Holy Name, becomes pastor of St. John's Cathedral . . . Stanton to be Republican candidate for Mayor . . . City Boss Lausche invited to visit England . . . Postmaster O'Donnell resigns

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Editorial—

OUR BOYS OVERSEAS

To those 45 boys of our parish who have left the country of their childhood where they have known peace and happiness, we pay special tribute. They have gone to some far distant land to fight that monster of tyranny and destruction which has put the entire world into chaos. Each day they are faced with the evils of war. May God be with them and watch over them wherever they may be, so that when victory is ours, they may return to their beloved country and their loved ones.

HATS OFF, FLAG'S PASSING BY

No one ought to decline saluting our flag. It is a proper thing to remove one's hat. Like a statue in a Church represents a heroic Saint and merits our veneration, so is the American flag a symbol of our freedom and unity. The flag is deserving of our love and respect. It is a sacred duty to show this respect when the flag is passing by.

LET'S THANK GOD

So far our country has been spared the terrible scourge of all-out bombing raids. We ought to thank God over and over for that. At the same time we sympathize with the unfortunate European civilians who through no fault of their own are undergoing untold sufferings due to terrific bombardments. Strangely enough, though we feel sorry for the subjugated countries, we want that waves and waves of Allied bombers surge on relentlessly to smash the Axis. Only that way can hostilities cease and peace and freedom come again to those unfortunate people. So, let's keep on "praising the Lord and passing the ammunition."

Our Boys Write In

Cavalry School, Fort Riley, Kansas

Hi, all:

Thanks for the Gazette. It sure does a fellow a lot of good to get such a paper. I've done a lot of traveling and have seen a lot of towns, but there isn't one that can compare with good old Cleveland.

Cpl. Joseph Russo

Med. Dept., San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Editors:

You know the Gazette is the best little news distributor to the service men I've seen yet. Yeah, it's O. K. It feels good to know about the doings and whereabouts of our service men all over the world.

Cpl. Nick Sanitato.

Camp Sutton, N. C.

Dear Staff:

Received my Gazette and was happy to know what's going on at home. I certainly appreciate this paper. Keep up the good paper.

Cl. Joseph Caruso.

Engr. Bn., Camp McCain, Miss.

Dear Gazetteers:

The Gazette is really a swell paper. I wish to thank you for it. It's good to hear about old friends of mine. The army is treating me swell and I'm getting along very nicely.

Pvt. Thomas Enia.

Somewhere in Mississippi

Dear Mr. Editor:

It's swell to read about the fellows at home. I am now actually in combat up to my neck. I have received my first medal, an aerial machine gun sharpshooter's medal. My job is to blast them out of the water.

Sgt. Dominic Colino.

MARINE TRIBUTE

We pay special tribute in this issue to our "Leather Necks," the fighting Marines. Whether they are at the battle fronts now, or still in the States, we know their fight is and will be an heroic one. And when the American Flag flies over each victorious battlefield, these names will be written in every star and stripe:

Anthony Anguilano
Philip Delfino
Sylvester Di Cesare
Frank Gallo
Michael Melfi
Anthony Ferretti
Egidio Pellegrin

ANSWER TO RIDDLE

He'd go nuts, or in Seine (insane)!

A-CHOO! CHOO!

Smart alek (at phone): "Give me 22, double 2."
Central — "2222?"

"Yeh, hurry up. I'll play train with you after."



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Roll of Honor



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Pvt. Louis Anelli
Pvt. Vito Anelli
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Pvt. Michael Anguilano
Corp. Michael Antonelli
Sgt. Frank Antonucci
Corp. Vito Ardito
Pvt. Louis Armagno
Louis Armagno, U.S.N.
Sgt. Marion Ballare, WAC
Pfc. Joseph Bartolozzi
Pvt. Concetto Balbo
Pvt. Frederick Battaglia
Pvt. Raymond Battaglia
Pvt. Angelo Bocchino
Pvt. Sam Bonfiglio
Pvt. Sam Boscarello
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Capt. John Leacacos
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Leonardo Mellilo

LATEST DISPATCH FROM WASHINGTON

Communique:

It is officially announced that the Japs have taken Sal Hepatica. The U. S. admits this, but doubts their ability to hold it. . . A later Jap dispatch admits that the strain on their rear is tremendous. The U. S. caught them on the run several times while they were trying to evacuate along the line. . . Several delaying action movements have been undertaken by the Japs in the form of gas attacks. The Japs tried to suppress the report, but the news leaked out and U. S. troops got wind of it.

Later Bulletin: The Japs now realize the value of scrap paper.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE (Cont'd from p. 1)

quiet for most of the day. Gone are the good old jalopees painted in bright colors and overloaded with care-free fellows and lassies. Yes life has changed; but what about it? We are getting along just the same and well. So don't worry about us at home.

Speaking of our parish, here are some figures which will give a clear picture of the same. During the first months of 1943 we had: 91 baptisms (do you remember my saying: Watch us grow?); 14 marriages (poor girls are very willing and ready, but you . . . bad boys got away from them); 64 first Holy Communions; 26 dead. Speaking of baptisms you should see what bright babies we are having in this war and how they can . . . wink and smile at me after I baptize them. The number of dead is rather large, but remember that we start to have old people in our parish, and the majority of the dead are over 65 years of age.

What are our people doing? They work more and harder than ever, even some old mamas who thought they would never do that. All our teen boys and girls are working and learning how bread and butter come home. Every month and a half or thereabout some more of our boys enter the army and our honor roll grows larger and larger. Many of our people are air raid wardens or nurses helpers; are investing as much as possible in war bonds. You should see how not-fragile are the hands that before found it hard to get soiled or spoiled by washing dishes. Plenty of grease and heavy oil blackens today the same once so delicate hands. Of course our people partake in all this.

What is the number of our boys in the armed forces? We have actually written 297 names in the honor roll; but there are at least 25 or 30 more to be written. We have seen quite few coming on furlough and they look grand. Quite few are in the navy; in general it can be said that they are spread among all the branches of the armed forces and all over the world. They are very well and doing marvelously. Many have fine ratings, from captain to private first class. Whatever you are my dear boys remember that we are with you and praying for you. I am very happy to tell you once again: not one of our boys has been killed, although many of you have seen hard fighting.

Don't worry about your mamas: they are doing fine and are brave. In some families the number of boys in the army runs pretty high already. Two sons is and ordinary occurrence now; the Paoletta family (West 33rd St.) has FIVE SONS now. God bless them all.

What about the new church? First of all let me thank very gratefully all those of you who have deprived yourself of part of your pay and your generous offering: that's the spirit. Construction itself cannot be started for the duration, but we are accumulating funds for after the war. A great artist is drawing the plans; material has been and is accumulated whenever the occasion permits it. **We will**

Story of a Paratrooper

P. F. C. Sylvester De Cesare, is now a Marine Paratrooper stationed in New River, N. C. He has been in the Marines for four months and with the paratroops for 2½ months. Sy, was attending Kent State University where he was majoring in Industrial Management before he volunteered into the service. Previous to Kent State, he was at Miami on a football scholarship. He was a graduate of West Tech in February, 1941. This handsome young gentleman is engaged to Miss Mary Hudak.

Sy gave us a brief description of Marine Paratroop training: First, the boys jump from a three foot platform so they can learn to fall correctly. Secondly, they get a chair ride from a 250 foot tower, from there they get accustomed to the shock and violent jarring the boys receive from the opening of the chute. Next, they go to the "fly-away tower" and learn to steer their parachutes. After these steps they have their Indoctrination Flight which is their first airplane ride. A week later they make their first jump. The boys sing in the plane to keep up their spirit, and when they are coming down they talk to one another. Their shoes are the most important part of their outfit because they break the impact of the shock when the paratroopers hit the ground. Sy graduated June 6th and received his wings. He has made eleven jumps already.

Fox Movie Tone has made a complete picture of Sy's Platoon in action and it will be shown shortly in all the movie houses. Sy is the first one to jump in this picture (so keep an eye out for him). Sy boasts that his platoon has the only Chaplain in the U.S.A. to have graduated from a Parachute School, Fr. Maloney. Quoting Father Maloney, "A Paratrooper is closer to eternity and yet closer to death than any other person."

To His Cousin In Khaki

FEATURING ZEKE

Dear Cousin:

I'm in the army now. What a mess I'm in — an' I don't mean the grub. We drill and drill — how this kind of a drill bores me! Your aunt Clangabelle has wrote and said they were a-givin' yuh stripes — what kind? She says Pappy still gets home evree night as if there weren't no rationin' a-goin' on. When he ain't raising hallelujah, he raises them bunnies. I s'pose now his business is rabbit-ly gaining. His only other hobby is a-gettin' up in the morn at noon. An' yuh know his afternoon beauty nap is from 2 to 6. Maw says he oughta hibernate. Maw can't bear him. Paw don't like t'hug bears neither.

I polished our kernel's clodhoppers yester morn. He's corny — but awl right. I'm a-learnin' a new — whatchamacallit — slanguage here. Just t'show yuh: — "Whatchagota packidge?" — Sabook. — Wassanaimuvitt? — Sackshunery. Fullinains. Gonna gettapleasedog angotta-gettanaimforim.

I aim t'write yuh agin.

Yours till the cows came home,
ZEKE.

build our new church with the free work of our men: we did it before and we shall do it again, won't we? You betcha.

God bless you and keep up high the name of St. Rocco's parish.

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

— Marie Manfredi

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

Home on furlough and enjoying the home sights were: Pvt. Loreto Cianfarani, Pfc. Louis Sforza, Pvt. James Tortelli, Pvt. Louis Anelli, Pfc. Sam Bonfiglio, S/Sgt. Angelo Mazzone, James Farley, U.S.N., Pfc. Ray Battaglia, Cpl. Mike Antonelli, Pfc. Paoletta, Pfc. Salvatore Saso, Pvt. Frank Pironelli, Afc. Theresa Camerato, John Ciliberto, U.S.N., Pvt. Joseph DiLuzio, Pvt. Eddie Girard, Pvt. Sylvester DiCesare, Pvt. Tony Morelli, Sgt. Joe Spinelli, Murphy Schementi, U.S.N., Louis Mazzone, U.S.N., Capt. D. Caravona and Cpl. Peter Ferretti and Sgt. Roccie Rutti.

Cpl. Mike Antonelli was greatly surprised to bump into Cpl. Joe Girard at Camp Young in California.

We wish a speedy recovery to Pvt. Frank Caruso who has been laid up in the hospital for almost 2 months with Rheumatic fever. He informs us that he's doing "swell now," and thinks the Gazette is "a great thing as it keeps me up on the news and happenings at home."

Keeping up with the Engineers is Pvt. Thomas Enia who proudly boasts "they's a great bunch and a rough and ready outfit." — Cpl. Joseph Russo has been transferred to Ft. Riley, Kansas to take up an advanced course in Radio — Pfc. Idalo Casino is now overseas — Upon graduating from Medical School at Letterman General Hospital in Calif., Nick Sanitato was promoted to Technical Corporal.

Congratulations to Tony Monte, U.S.N., on his graduation from school at the Navy Pier in Chicago. His parents were present for the occasion — Anna Collins (née Monte) is now working in a Defense Plant in San Diego, near her husband Bob. Incidentally, Pvt. Collins assists the Chaplain at camp, and serves Mass.

CHEERS! to Sgt. Dominic Colino who received a Sharpshooter's Medal in (Aerial Machine Gun). He's in combat duty now and is Radio Operator and Aerial Gunner on a plane. Best of luck, Dominic, you're a fine example of the type of boys St. Rocco's Parish has.

Cpl. Joe Girard was present at Camp Young, when Warner Bros. shot scenes there for the movie "Five Graves to Cairo."

Pvt. Emil Paoletta is studying Radio Communications at Camp Shelby. He's also in a brand new outfit that's been named after the famous "Fighting 69th". Incidentally, Emil was pleasantly surprised to run into Pvt. Peter Anguilano who is also stationed there.

Edmund D'Auito, Coastguard, is in the Marine Hospital here, recuperating from a Tonsillectomy — Pvt. Duilio Toffanetti is now a Quartermaster — And Pvt. Carl Mazzone is the Company Barber.

Sgt. Joe Paoletta still enjoying the Panama climate, and he's still in the Medical Division assisting the doctors.

The world isn't so big after all, as Sgt. A. Dadante writes that of all people, whom should he meet — but Cpl. R. Marconi — "somewhere in Africa" — Pfc. Augie Viglione is in the Acorn Division at Camp McCain, Mississippi, but he calls it "corny" for short.

Pfc. Caspar Marconi served Mass at Camp (the first time since he was an altar boy at St. Rocco's), and he proudly states "I did a pretty good job of it too."

THIS MONTH'S RIDDLE

What would happen if a man would jump into the river near Paris?

(Look for answer on another page.)

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT

A picnic for two was enjoyed by Pvt. Loreto Cianfarani and his fiancé Frieda while Loreto was home on furlough. James Farley, U.S.N., greatly surprised his family by arriving home in time to accompany his daughter Louise on her First Communion Day.

Pfc. Theresa Camerato proudly displaying a sparkling diamond which she received last week from Pvt. Vernon Butler.

Another Graduation Day, and another class went forth from St. Rocco's School — the Class of '43. . . The touching sight of First Communicants was beheld again — as a large group of boys and girls received their First Communion accompanied by their parents.

Sgt. Joe Spinelli, home on furlough is head of the Personnel Department at Camp Maxey, Texas. He has service bars for service before Pearl Harbor — and has also merited bars for good conduct . . .

Pfc. Salvatore Saso and Pfc. Eddie Paoletta both home together on furlough from California. They're buddies and work together in the same office, and have they acquired a beecootiful tan out in that California desert!

Captain D. Caravona looked grand in his Captain's uniform, and friends all gathered around after Sunday Mass.

Maybe it's the uniform, but just let a service-man step out of church on a Sunday morning, and he's immediately mobbed by all his acquaintances and other parishioners.

Al DeMarco middle-aided it recently . . . And Rita Melillo rang wedding bells out in sunny California . . . Carmie Damiano is engaged to Joe Trunkett. Beloved Msgr. Joseph F. Smith, pastor of St. John's Cathedral and also founder of the St. John's Cathedral Canteen — passed away recently. His cheerful presence will be missed by all who knew him.

When home on furlough boys, do not forget to visit the St. John's Cathedral Canteen. The Servicemen and women are treated royally, and there's also an outdoor dance floor which makes dancing a pleasure these summer nights. Incidentally, yours truly is a Friday night Hostess.

Aux. Bishop McFadden will be installed as Bishop of the newly made Diocese of Youngstown on July 22nd.

We extend our sympathy to Pvt. Sam Brooks who left his Army duties to attend his mother's funeral.

The Catholic Charities Drive proved a huge success this year, many donated generously, and sincerely.

More Blessed Events:

Mr. and Mrs. V. Cozzarini — boy.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Zulli — girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Morelli — girl.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Coren — boy.

Mr. and Mrs. D'Ambrosio — boy.

Annual Occurrence: Fr. S. Gattuso and Fr. S. Moltini taking the census of the parish and blessing homes.

DIS-ORDER OF THE DAY

Private Rooney was called before the colonel. "Rooney," said the officer, "take my horse down nad have him shod." Three hours later the colonel was beginning to get impatient. He called for Rooney again. "Look here, Rooney," said the officer, "take my horse down and have him shod." "Omigosh!" gasped Rooney, "did you say shod?"

Here's So and So, You Know

A THREE STAR WINDOW: DE BELLIS

Three stars are proudly shown in the window of the De Bellis home. Each star represents a De Bellis boy who has gone to fight for Uncle Sam.

Vito De Bellis, 24, a warrant officer at Fort Bragg, N. C., is the oldest boy. He has been in the service 6½ years and his rank is proof enough to indicate how well he is doing. He is one of the first soldiers in St. Rocco's Parish. The last time he was home on Labor Day of last year, he drove the Station Wagon which our parish donated to the Red Cross.

Pvt. Frank De Bellis, 20, was drafted in February and his destination at present is unknown. He had his basic training in Camp Wheeler, Ga. and was home on furlough in June.

The third star is for Salvatore, 18, who enlisted in the navy in December. He is stationed in Great Lakes, Ill. and is a 3rd class petty officer (ship's cook). He will be leaving for ship duty. Sal was home on a surprise visit on Easter.

All three boys attended St. Rocco's school. Quoting Lena De Bellis, sister of the boys: "I hope that through some destiny my three brothers could meet some time, somewhere."

PFC. JAMES TORTELLI

When P. F. C. Jimmy Tortelli came home on furlough, he was fortunate enough to attend the graduation exercises of his brother Nick, who graduated "Maxima Cum Laude" from Holy Name High School. Jimmy, 22, was also a graduate of Holy Name in 1938 and of St. Rocco's in 1934. He is working in the Flight Surgeon's office at the Army Training Course at Louisiana University.

Army life agrees with Jimmy—judging from all the weight he has gained (that's where our meat has gone!) In the service seven months, Jim is engaged to Miss Rose Spinelli. Jimmy thinks the Gazette is fine; nothing like getting news from home.

INJUN SMART POTATO

A Cherokee Indian: "White man crazy. Make big tepee. Plow hill. Water wash; wind blow. Grass gone, land gone, door gone, window gone, whole place gone to somewhere. Buck gone, Squaw too. Papoose gone. No pig, no corn, no cow, no hay, no pony.

Indian no plow land. Keep grass, Buffalo eat, Indian eat buffalo. Hide make tepee, make mocassin, Indian no make terrace, no build dam, no give dam. All time eat. No hunt job, no hitch-hike, no ask relief. No shoot pig. Great Spirit make grass. Indian no waste nothing. Indian no work. White man heap loco.

MERRY-GO-ROUND IN A BOTTLE

A deputy sheriff was sent to take an inventory of the property in a house. When he did not return for three hours, the sheriff went after him, and found him asleep on a lounge there. He had made to take an inventory of the property in a house. When he did not return for three hours, the sheriff went after him, and found him asleep on a lounge there. He had made a brave effort with his inventory, however: he had written down, "Living room. 1 table, 1 sideboard, 1 full bottle whiskey." Then the "full" had been crossed out, and "half full" substituted. Then this was overlined, and "empty" put in its place. At the bottom of the page, in wobbly writing, was written: "1 revolving carpet."

BEGORRA, HE'S A HIGHLANDER!



Sgt. Antonucci

Sgt. Frank Antonucci is now a member of the Highlanders as can readily be seen in the above picture.

Frank, who is stationed in England, doing office work, decided to take advantage of his furlough and visit Scotland. He met a bonnie lass — and together they saw the town.

While visiting the local pubs who would Frank run into — but Cpl. John Ripepi — the two were overjoyed to see one another — and together had quite a time.

At any rate, Frank was initiated into the Clan of the Highlander's, and is now a full-fledged member, after going through all the rites and rituals necessary to join

the brotherhood.

To prove the authenticity of his membership, Frank had his picture taken and sent it home. He really looks like a Scotch-man, don't you think?

PFC. THERESA CAMERATO

Pfc. Theresa Camerato has been with the Waacs for 6 months and is stationed in Austin, Texas. Theresa, 21, is a recorder in the adjutant's office. She loves her new life and wouldn't trade it again for civilian life. She received her office training at Polytechnic College in Russellville, Arkansas, and her basic training in Georgia. In camp she met Vernon Butler to whom she is now engaged.

She was a graduate of St. Rocco's in '36 and attended Lincoln High School. Theresa's reasoning for joining: "I love my country and I want to serve." Theresa has a brother, Joe in the service somewhere in England who volunteered six years ago.

HOME-TOWN SPORTS CHAT

The Nats and Yankees are fighting it out for first place... Our Indians walloped the Yanks some time ago in a hit spree, 12 to 0, 10 runs being scored in one inning. . . In the Nat'l League, the Cardinals are racing for first with the Dodgers there too . . . Max Rosenblum has just finished his 25th year of sponsoring Amateur Baseball . . . Deadlocked for first-half Class A title, Factory Furniture finally nosed out the Bartunek's outfit at Brookside . . . Lulu Constantino and Chalky Wright to meet in 10-round bout here . . . Leading Redskin batter, Hockett, 342 average at this date . . . Eisenstat, Indian pitcher, organizing teams for army at Camp Uppton, Long Island . . . Pastor, the heavyweight, with ski troops at Camp Hale, Colorado . . . Joe Vosmik (remember?) with Minneapolis . . . Frankie Doljack, Sandlotter, with Indians . . . Bivins to relinquish light-heavyweight duration title and will fight again after recovering from broken nose (tho he K. O'd Marshall) . .



LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME . .

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*A MOTHER'S PRIDE BEAMS LIKE THE SUN
AS FIVE SONS SHINE IN AMERICAN CAUSE*



MICHAEL

MRS. PAOLETTA

HENRY

This mother's pride for her sons, who are serving their country, beams as brightly as the sun. Only she can know the joy and contentment in having Five Blue Stars in her window. We are all contributing our money and our efforts in helping to win this war, but she is one of the few who has given the greatest contribution of all, five sons.

Mrs. Dominic Paoletta, the only five-star mother from St. Rocco's Parish, tells us of her "boys" serving with Uncle Sam.

Mike, 25 yrs. who left in July, 1943, is an Apprentice Seaman and is stationed at Great Lakes. He has been married for three years to the former Viola Ambrose. Mike plays the trumpet and is interested in woodwork.

Henry, 18 yrs., who just left in July, 1943, is an Apprentice Seaman also stationed at Great Lakes. Henry is mechanically minded and likes to play the piano.

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Editorial—

IN LOVING MEMORY - ANTHONY MANFREDI



In the passing away of Mr. Anthony Manfredi, our community has lost one of its most active and enthusiastic men. We pay tribute to him and extend our deepest sympathy to his beloved wife and two children.

This outstanding parishioner came to be known in our parish as the "friend of the poor", as indeed he was. For years he directed the St. Vincent de Paul Society for the Poor. It is certain a hundred-fold reward has been waiting for him in the Kingdom of the Just, for Christ said whatsoever is done to the poor "is done to Me."

PRIVATIONS ARE MOUNTING

As the war continues along, sacrifices on the part of civilians on the home front likewise continue to augment. More money is demanded to help the war effort. More work is asked to speed up production. One thing after another is rationed. Less each day is seen of meat, butter, gasoline, oil, and other essentials once to be had in abundance.

But the people on the home front are proving they "can take it." Servicemen on all the fronts should know that at home now the going is tough, too. Every privation is borne happily with the hope that the next one has helped in shortening the war and bringing victory closer to home.

Lines From Some Swell Fellows Camp Sutton, N. C.

Dear Editor:

I enjoy reading the Gazette and hope you keep sending it this way. Keep up the good work.

Pvt. John Monteleone.
c/o P. M. Seattle, Wash.

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Dear Editor:

Finding it really interesting reading, I wish to thank everyone connected with the Gazette for sending it to me. All that I should like to say about life here would be censored. But I can say this, this is an experience I wouldn't care to miss.

Pfc. Mario Molina

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Parris Is., S. C.

Dear Staff:

Just a line to tell you how I appreciated the club's thoughtfulness. The paper really is newsy. Delfino and I read it several times, because it is so interesting.

Paramarine Sy De Cesare (Pfc.)

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Somewhere in Panama

Dear Friends:

I received another of your publications and enjoyed it a lot. It's good to read of the different happenings in the neighborhood. Keep up the good work.

Sgt. Joseph Paoletta

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Vendover Field, Utah

Dear Friends:

I was overjoyed in getting another Gazette. I think it's great. It keeps me in touch with most of my buddies doings in the service. I've been in the hospital here for over two months but I am pulling through now.

Pvt. F. A. Caruso

ANSWERS TO RIDDLES

1. When he's aboard.
2. Stoning him to death.
3. One is hard to get up, while the other is hard to get down.

THE CLEVELAND SCENE

Certainly, everyone is lonely in the old hometown since the boys went off to war. Nevertheless, Clevelanders are as busy as ever.... The City is bustling with activity Cars are jammed all day with passengers . . . Stores are crowded with buyers . . . Offices humming as usual . . . Defense Plants whizzing at a deadening clip . . . Workers hurrying back and forth.

For relaxation many went to the Chicago Opera Co.'s Summer Festival to see "Aida" and "Carmen" . . . Record crowds attended the Pop Concerts this season . . . A fair proportion go to see the Indians team battle it out for second place at the Stadium . . . Harvest Festival recently held at Public Hall with entertainment and prizes awarded to best victory gardens . . . The Circus came to town and staged its Big Tent near the lake front. . . . Two new big airports are beings envisioned for postwar Cleveland, one near the downtown lake front, another on East Side . . . Rapid Transit Loop with Public Square Subway costing about 35 million may be constructed after the war . . . James Collins appointed acting postmaster to succeed O'Donnell ... New rivet gun (to tack steel plates together without previous machining) invented by a Cleveland war worker.



Roll of Honor



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Pastor's Message

MY DEAR BOYS

I hope that this message may reach all of you in the best of health. Wherever you are we wish that God, Our Blessed Mother of Mercy and St. Rocco may be with you all, blessing you, helping you, strengthening you. We the priests of the parish, your dear parents and other relatives, are with you in every possible way. We pray for you and we rejoice with the many of you who are performing your duty so well. From the honor roll of this issue you can see how fast many of you are being promoted. It is a real inspiration to talk to those who come on furlough and recount their braveries. A greater joy is given me by the way you are living: a clean christian life. Soldiers have been, can be, are saints. I know of the many difficulties you are facing, difficulties of various kinds; all of us have to face difficulties. Life would not be worth living if things would be always as we wish them. Easy life never brought any progress, and in most of the cases it meant the end of those who had the misfortune of leading such a life. The water of the sea is always clear because it moves and in what rough ways some time; stagnant waters, on the other hand, stink.

But don't forget that you and every one who lives in the comfort of Him who is the light, the life and the road, have such a strength that they can repeat the words of St. Paul: I dare every thing in Him who comforts me. How many occasions, how many temptations seem to submerge the Light which is Christ. How many dangers seem to throw a shadow on the beautiful and yet so necessary christian virtues of piety, purity, obedience, temperance etc. We then have true joy and happiness and peace of mind, oh, if I could have space to print parts of the wonderful letters I have received from you! They are wonderful; I could have never believed that some of you could write such beautiful letters. How can you do it? Yes, it is He Whom you have not known so intimately before, Who gives you such deep thoughts. Life seems so much different and really worth living it to be with Him, for Him and in Him. Do you want to know Him more intimately? Keep yourselves pure in your words, pure in your thoughts, pure in your actions. Now you can understand how soldiers can be good, brave and saints.

My dear boys, I close by asking every one of you to excuse me if I do not answer your letters promptly. You have no idea how this war has increased our work. But you, my former babes, are ever present in my poor prayers. I speak of you, I dream of you, I am proud of you. Write my dear boys, I want your letters. God bless you and keep you. Happy to tell you once again: all our boys in the armed forces are doing fine and are all well. From Alaska, to Australia, from Iceland to Africa and India all of you are well.

Fr. S. Gattuso, O.D.M.

PFC. EDMUND CIFANI

Pfc. Edmund Cifani has been in the Army six months and is stationed in Camp Ellis, Illinois. Nineteen year old Edmund is in the Army Band, plays the clarinet and expects to be stationed in the states for the duration. He has played at many of the Kaiser launchings and has had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Roosevelt at one of these launchings.

At a recent camp show he played the accordion and had his picture taken with the very famous and beautiful star,

BOOMERANG

An army chaplain, extremely popular with the soldiers, was strolling along a street one day in citizen's clothes. Meeting a soldier, he stopped and gave him a nod of recognition. The soldier was taken aback; then, recalling the chaplain's genial countenance, he ejaculated: "Now, where in hell have I seen you before?"

"I couldn't say," responded the padre. "What part of hell do you come from?"

ABSENT-MINDNESS PLUS

"Tickets, please!" said the conductor. After all the other passengers' tickets had been punched, an old gentleman continued to go through his pockets one after the other, and to show signs of nervousness. "Lost your ticket?" Inquired a fellow-traveler; then shortly, "Why you're holding it in your teeth all the while!"

Hurriedly the conductor punched the ticket and departed. "Unfortunate affliction, absence of mind," said one of the passengers, as the train got under way.

"Absence of mind nothin'!" said the old man. "I was chewin' off last week's date."

A PHOTOGRAPH OF YOU

When the evening shadows gather,
After all my work is through,
I can't keep my eyes from straying,
To that photograph of you.

There it rests upon my table,
Just the way you looked that day,
Oh! it seems it was but yesterday,
When I first heard you say,

Words of love that made me happy,
And made all my dreams come true,
But tonight, I'm all alone with
Just a photograph of you.

Then your Uncle Sammy called you,
And you answered "Here",
I'm proud of you my soldier
Yet I brush away a tear.

Now I tip-toe to my window,
Kneel and wish upon a star,
As I pray to God to keep you safe,
No matter where you are.

Thus my heart is over with you,
While I wait the long days through,
And the dearest of my treasures,
Is that photograph of you.

Janet Blair. This picture appeared in the Cleveland Press (this does not happen to every soldier boy). He has been playing the accordion for six and a half years and the clarinet for the past several years. Before entering into the Army he played on several radio programs: The Italian Program, Bohemian Hour, and WADC Akron. He has appeared at all the greater Cleveland hotels, such as the Statler, Cleveland, Allerton, Hollenden and etc. While home on furlough he played on the Italian Hour and has made several recordings for the program. His only remark, "First time girls ever whistled at me."

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

— Marie Manfredi

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

Enjoying the home atmosphere on furlough were: Mike Ramunni, F 3-C, Joe Paolozzi, S 2-C, Sal DeBellis 3-C P.O., Pfc. Frank Suglio, Cpl. Augie Viglione, Pfc. Louis Anelli, Sgt. Tony Casella, Pvt. Phillip Dellino, U.S.M.C., Pfc. John Monteleone, Pvt. Tony Battista, Cpl. Eldo Molina, Pfc. Mike Riccardi, Pvt. Emil Faiella, Pvt. Louis Armagno, Enrico Cortelezzi, U.S.N., Pvt. Edmund Cifani, Tony Monte, A.M.M. 3-C, Robert Gubano, U.S.N., Pvt. Frank Caruso, S/Sgt. Michael Zona, Peter Ferretti, A.S., Pvt. Paul Rubino, Vito Colonna, S 1/C, Pvt. Mike Spinelli, Pvt. Thomas DeTardo.

Pvt. Lawrence Oberti is now in Australia practicing his old trade—that of a baker.

Pvt. Emil Faiella (Ground Crew of the Army Air Corps) certainly gets around — in 6 months Emil has been to 7 different camps.

Pfc. Michael Riccardi is now studying Air Photography, and who should Mike run into while driving a truck in Washington, but Pvt. Louis Armagno. . . . Marine Pfc. Sy DeCesare met Olen Ford (of the movies) who is a Sgt. in the Marines also.

Two Aviation Students are Peter Ferretti, and Victor Tabacco. Peter's studying at Syracuse University, and Victor is at Centenary College in Shreveport, La. . . . Pfc. Frank Suglio is now a Radio Operator while Cpl. Tom Guzzo is a radio mechanic and knows how to assemble and disassemble complicated radio sets. . . . In the Lightning Division of the Infantry is Pvt. Mike Spinelli. . . . Driving trucks and being a mechanic is part of Pvt. Paul Rubino's job in the Army.

Just back from Alaska is Vito Colonna, S 1/C—who has merited a star on his bars — for being under fire. He's certainly right in there pitching with the rest of 'em

Pvt. Raymond Melillo and Pvt. Frank DeBellis unexpectedly met "somewhere in North Africa." They spent a happy 2 weeks together — before they were separated.

Now that Pvt. Sam Calandra is on the receiving end — he writes that he never appreciated the paper in the good old civilian days as he does now. When he was on the staff it was a job to be done — now "it's a joy to receive it."

In Dutch Harbor, Alaska, is Kenneth Heyer, S1/C, in the Naval Construction Battalion, better known as the "Sea-bees." Pfc. Joseph DiLuzio is now going through Aviation Mechanics School at Seymour Johnson Field, N. C., and then on to Gunner's School. . . . Tony Monte, A.M.M. 3/C, is now attending an advanced school in Aviation Mechanics in Chicago. Pvt. John Monteleone helped in transferring Italian prisoners captured in Tunisia to camps here. Johnny says these prisoners were all thrilled to be in America.

READY FOR THE NEXT RIDDLE?

This issue we have a treat for riddle lovers: three nice delicious riddles all for yourself to guess.

1. When is a sailor not a sailor?
2. What was the ancient way of rocking a man to sleep?
3. What is the difference between a hill and a pill?

When you get tired of guessing, you can look for the answers on another page of this paper.

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT

Three pals and former classmates home on furlough together and taking advantage of the situation were Mike Ramunni, F 3-C, Joe Paolozzi, S 2-C, and Sal DeBellis, 3-C P.O.

Pfc. John Piriggi tied the knot when he was home recently. . . . And so did Pvt. Mark Vulpio. Pfc. Louis Anelli celebrated his furlough by becoming engaged to Irma Cozzarini.

Wedding bells rang for Miss Antoinette Gerome and Pvt. Frank Caruso recently during his 10 day furlough. The bride will join her husband at camp soon.

Another betrothal is that of Tessie Scarpeili and Cpl. Jimmy Timoteo. Incidentally, Jimmy recently received a visit from his mother, sister, and fiancé.

Two buddies home on furlough and tearing the town apart were Pvt. Louis Armagno and Pvt. "Duke" Sudick. Donald "Ducky" Viglione left for the Navy while his bother Augie was home on furlough. Joe Schemmente is now a Pvt. in the Marines.

More Blessed Events:

- Mr. and Mrs. John Illuzzi — boy
- Pvt. and Mrs. Mario Palange — girl
- Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Trombetto — boy
- Mr. and Mrs. William Benedetto — girl
- Mr. and Mrs. Roland Pierce — girl.

At present there is a Red Cross Blood Donors Drive going on in the parish. Mrs. A. Manfredi is chairman.

Incidentally, the Holy Family Sodality has been very active in Red Cross work — sewing, knitting, etc.

A branch of the Blue Star Mother's Club has been organized, and Mrs. N. Ferretti is President.

Mrs. Jerry Melillo has gone to California to visit her son Mike in camp, and her daughter Rita who is now residing there with her husband.

Pfc. Jimmy Tortelli received a visit from his sister and fiancée Rose Spinelli recently.

Boys, we'll gladly welcome any news you may have to give us, and so would your buddies. Also, please notify us of any change in address or title. Thanx.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The family of the late Antonio Manfredi gratefully acknowledge the kind expression of sympathy received from so many boys in the service.

FELL HOOK, LINE AND SINKER

Down in North Africa a Yankee fast-stepper met a French actress. The pretty actress was "fishing" for a present. Johnny Doughboy had thrown out repeated hints about a ring.

"No", she said, "I'd prefer something for my neck."

Next morning, opening a neat package among a group of admiring girl friends, she had vision of a superb diamond necklace.

But it was a bar of soap.

MEET THE OTHER THREE PAOLETTAS



SGT. JOSEPH

CPL. EMIL

PFC. EDWARD

Joe, who is 26, left in March, 1940. He is a Sgt. serving for the past 2 years in Panama in the Med. Corp. Down in Panama he ran into his cousin, Nick Paoletta.

Edward, 24, left in February, 1943. He is a Pfc. working with the Evacuation Hosp. in the medical corps stationed in Calif. Ed is engaged to Miss Ruth Mendat. Ed is the only one who has been home of all the Paoletta boys in the service. Ed plays the drums in the camp, likes to dance, wise crack and is very handy with woodcraft.

Emil, 22 yrs., left May, 1943 and is a Cpl. Technician with the Field Artillery stationed at Camp Shelby. Emil is strictly interested in getting stripes. That's obvious in the fact that he's a Corporal already, being in the army only three months.

WE, THE WOMEN — TODAY

—By Dora Casino

"Taxi, taxi," you shout, and up drives a yellow-cab, and look what's in the driver's seat—a woman.

"Clang, clang", comes an excuse for a streetcar. And a very dainty and pretty miss is behind the controls. Who do you think has replaced that grouchy, old conductor who always shut the door before you were half way out? — humm, a blue-eyed-smiling conductress!

Oh, yes, we have a lot of "Rosie, the Riveters"; female welders, punch-press operators, and laborers. The buses are jammed with women no longer with painted-up faces, wearing silks and lace but women in slacks carrying lunch boxes and grease smudges on their faces.

These are our women today. Stern, alert, active, ready for any job. Determined to fill in everywhere they can. Turning in their salaries for war bonds, sending packages to keep their men in camp happy. Trying and doing their best in this all-out war effort.

TO HIS COUSIN IN KHAKI

— Featuring Zeke —

Deer Cousin,

Yuh hadn't writ me for so long so I thot I'd up an' writ yuh. I hate to writ letters but seein' it's yuh, I'll writ. I wonder if yuh got any of the letters I writ yuh B-4. I got in this here army, becuz I never used them things on top of the envelope that cost 3c. Anyhow, yuh ain't never writ back. Why don't yuh writ?

It's funny I don't no wat to writ. I never could writ, anyhow. B-4 I started this letter, I wuz shure I could writ a book. Now, I'm a-ready to swear up an' down on a stack of 'em, I can't think wat to writ.

As I writ this, some oder solder is a-lookin' over my shoulder. I up an' gives 'im the eye, but I takes it back becuz it mite be Dead-I. Den he up an' sez: "Yuh doesn't spell writ — writ — but W-R-I—" But I cuts 'im off an' sez I aims to writ my own way.

But after I wuz a-thinkin' if I writ wrong an' that solder wuz write, after all. Anyway....

Yours till I writ agin,

ZEKE

P. S. Writ soon, all write?



LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME . .

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LETTERS FROM OUR SERVICE MEN EVERYWHERE HIGH MORALE AND BOUNDLESS ENTHUSIASM

In this issue, the editors delight in presenting some of the many letters received from our service men on duty in every corner of the globe. The spirit embodied in these letters demonstrates their unfaltering morale and remarkable enthusiasm in the cause for which they are bearing arms. We can only say—keep writing, boys!

Dear Editors,

I am writing to tell you how I appreciate the Gazette. Nice to hear what my friends are doing and where they may be. Any news from home is welcome down here in the jungles. I often see my cousin Sgt. Joseph Paoletta. Pfc. Nick R. Paoletta, c/o P. M. Louisiana

Dear Staff,

I can't thank you enough for the paper. Enjoyed every bit of it. Sure felt good to read about the news from home up here in Iceland. Keep the Gazette rolling. Pvt. Albert Giancaterino, Iceland.

To the Gazetteers:

I was part of your staff in those good old civilian days. But I never appreciated the paper then as I do now. It was a job then — but now it is no job to receive it and read it avidly and thoroughly. I imagine that to the fellows overseas it must be a godsend. Pfc. Sam Calandra, Blackburgh, Va.

Dear Sirs:

Just received your Gazette. Thanks, you're doing a swell job. All of us really appreciate it. Best of luck. John Camodeco, F1-c, Somewhere Overseas.

Dear Editors,

For months I've been receiving your wonderful paper and I've never stopped to think somebody should be thanked for such a friendly service. I saw Antonucci's picture, he's putting on weight.

Pvt. J. L. Indellicati, Victoria, Texas

SOMETHING WRONG IN DENMARK

News item: An underground newspaper in Denmark reports that Danish barbers are charging ten cents above the normal price to shave Nazis "because their faces are longer these days."

RIDDLE FOR THANKSGIVING

See if you can guess this? What would happen, geographically speaking, if a colored waiter dropped a platter of roast turkey? Answer is on another page.

Aloha Gazetteers:

Received your paper and appreciate it IMMENSELY. Makes we feel as if I were home again. I certainly was surprised at the enormous honor roll. Yours for victory, Pvt. Joseph DePhillips, Hawaii

Dear Gazetteers:

Thanks for the Gazette. I've received my rating and soon will be flying Liberator bombers. Keep up the good work.

John Ciliberto, AMM 3-c, Fleet P. O., N. Y.

Dear Gazetteers:

I received your most welcome paper. It's really good to read all about my friends. I think the Gazette is appreciated by all the boys. I'm in Northern Ireland. It is beautiful but can't compare with Ohio. The people are friendly toward us Yanks. Thanks again.

Cpl. Ralph Puntel, Ireland

Dear Friends:

Received the Gazette and wish to thank you for sending it. The news was very welcome. Please see that I get it at my new address, as I am going thru Aviation Mechanic and Gunners School.

Dear Staff:

It did me good to hear so much news about back home and the boys in service. At present I am instructing an outfit in hand-to-hand combat. Keep up the Gazette.

S-Sgt. Mike Zona, South Carolina.

Dear Editors:

The Gazette followed me from Boston and Florida to where I am now. I am specializing in drafting, now am a drawing Engineer. Thanks for the paper. It really is swell. Pfc. Marco Vulpio, North Carolina

IS SHE KIDDING?

Asked by her teacher for the full name of the President of the United States, a grade school child answered: "Franklin Deleanor Roosevelt."

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Editorial—

LETTERS, LETTERS, LETTERS

That's right, more and more letters. We should like to encourage both service men and their dear ones to write to each other as often as possible. The farther away from home the soldier is, the more he appreciates and cherishes a letter. Even if it is a short letter, get it off quickly. He is waiting for it. V-Mail forms are so useful in this wise.

And you, boys, cheer the folks back home by writing more often. Especially to your mothers. Every word you write them adds a beam of sunshine in their lives.

This letter writing is very important. The morale of both civilians at home and the soldiers away from home is involved. John Steinbeck, the author, after visiting various theaters of war, reported that soldiers who get no letters from home worry so much, that in many cases they are hospitalized. "One good letter can make the difference between a good soldier and a sick man."

Write to the Gazetteers, fellows. We are waiting for your good tidings. Keep in touch with us. We like to know what you are doing. We are doing our utmost to send you a worthwhile paper—one that's entertaining, full of news, and encouragement too, to go ahead.

LEST YOU FORGET

Address all your letters to the official headquarters of the Gazette, as indicated on the top of this page, left hand corner.

Pastor's Message

My Dear Boys:

The last Thursday in November will be Thanksgiving Day. Our God-blessed United States are the only country in the whole world which have a day in which its citizens are invited by their President, in his capacity as the supreme civil authority, to turn their minds and thoughts to God, consider the many benefits bestowed on them and thank Him with the deepest senses of gratitude. It is a dutiful public act of religion for which our Country has been and is so abundantly blessed.

In this year 1943 some one might feel tempted to believe that more than thanking we should pray to God. We as Catholics know that prayer is our daily duty and so is one of the purpose of our prayer: thank God for His daily benefits. Still we can easily realize that when we consider that, notwithstanding our sins and shortcomings, we are in such a privileged situation in comparison with other countries, we see how many reasons we have even in this year, to thank God. The oldest civilized part of the world, Europe is completely devastated by the fury of the war. Untold millions of people have been killed, maimed, starved to death, persecuted, offended in what they held so dear. Famous cities and their treasures of art; ancient cathedrals so filled with centuries of faith and history; old venerable universities, existing long before the discovery of America; libraries to which the whole civilized world could turn to find precious sources of history; all were pitilessly burned. Little churches and cemeteries in small towns and villages have been shattered. And this not only in Europe. Africa, and the Middle East, and Asia, and Australia, and India; the world over destruction and killing and pillaging. And we? Thanks be to God: our homes are all intact, our people are not falling under savage bombardment, our churches are open, our people are free to pray, are not persecuted or jailed. We thank God for all that! We thank God because we are not starving, although sacrificing to help so many millions of starving humanity. Our children go to school as happy as ever; our teachers are not being regimented into the monstrosity of totalitarianism and are not regimenting our children into the same pattern. We thank God for being free citizens, jealous of our liberty; for not being forced to profess such social heresies that the state is all and all citizens are to be simple tools in the hands of the creators of such horrible theories. We thank God for our very abundant harvest. We thank God for having, except in few cases so far, our parents living happily with their little children. We thank God because our United States have not and will not be scarred and seared by the outrages of the war. We thank God for enjoying, in a greater degree than the whole world put together, so many and abundant material benefits. We thank God for our brave soldiers who are so valiantly defending us from all enemies and dangers.

Yes, we have more reason than ever to fall on our knees and thank God. We at home and you, my boys, wherever you may be, let's thank Him and pray Him to continue His protection over us. And we of the parish of St. Rocco thank God for the wonderful grace that while quite few of you, our boys, are in actual combat in so many places, all are well and fine.

God bless every one of you, protect you, watch over you. Be good, obedient with your superiors, cheerful with your buddies. Do your duty the best possible way.

Your Pastor
Fr. Sante Gattuso, O.D.M.



Roll of Honor



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Pvt. John Alberino
Vito Amato, S1-c
Cpl. August Amaro
Pvt. Peter Alberino
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A-C Sam Anguilano
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Sgt. Frank Antonucci
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Pvt. Louis Ballachino
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Pfc. Angelo Caporaso
Pvt. James J. Cappellia
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Pfc. Pat Caso
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Pvt. Loretto Cianfarani
Pvt. Olphonse Ciccone
Pvt. Peter Ciccone
Pvt. Frank Ciccotosto
Pvt. Joseph Ciccotosto
Pfc. Edmund Cifrani
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Pvt. Rocco Ciocca
Pvt. Ivo Cioletti
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Pvt. Robert Collins
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Pvt. Mario Cuffari
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Pvt. August D'Ambrosio
Pvt. Peter D'Ambrosio
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Cpl. Nick Delia
Pvt. James Del Monte
Pvt. Anthony Del Paggio
Pvt. Harry De Marco
Pvt. Louis De Marco
Cpl. Ezio De Piero
Pvt. Thomas De Tardo
Cpl. Vincent De Tardo
Pvt. Joseph Dettorre, U.S.M.C.
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S-Sgt. Nick Di Gioia
Pfc. Joseph Di Luzio
Pvt. Rocco Di Luzio
Pfc. Sam Di Mauro
Pvt. Joseph De Phillipis
Anthony Ducato
Pfc. Sam Durante

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Pvt. Emil Faiella
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Pvt. Dominic Favorito
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Pvt. Joseph Gargano
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Pvt. Salvatore Geraci
Sgt. A. A. Gesualdo
Pvt. Albert Giancaterino
Pfc. Mario Giancaterino

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Pfc. Edward Girard
Cpl. Joseph Girard
Pvt. Joseph Girard
Pfc. John Girardi
Pvt. James Girard, Jr.
S-Sgt. Michael Girard
Cpl. Rocco Girard
Sgt. Leonard Grabowski
Pvt. Mario Grassi
Pfc. Mickey Gratson
Pvt. Albert Gregorio
Robert Gubana, U.S.N.
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Cpl. John Gullo
Pvt. Ray Gullo
Pvt. Joseph Gullo
Pvt. Eugene Gulotta
Cpl. Ferdinand Guzzo
Cpl. Gaetano Guzzo

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Pvt. David A. Imburgia
Pvt. Joseph Incorvia
Pvt. Daniel Indellicati
Pvt. Joseph Indellicati

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Sam Krsulovic
Thomas Kuhar

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Cpl. Louis Lauria
Capt. John Leacacos
Pvt. Arthur Lettiere
Pvt. John Lioce
Pvt. Vincent Lucarino

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Pvt. Angelo Martin
Pfc. Casper Marconi
Cpl. Roland Marconi
Pvt. Peter Mazzeo
S-Sgt. Angelo Mazzone
Cpl. Carl Mazzone
Louis Mazzone, A.S.
Pvt. Nick Mazzone
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Frank Mazzulo, A.S.
Cpl. Michael Melfi, U.S.M.C.
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Pvt. Aldo Moretti
Pvt. Lino Moro

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Corp. Lee Nicolas

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Pvt. Mario Palange
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Pfc. Edward Paoletta
Pvt. Michael Paradise
Pvt. Joseph Paradise
Cpl. Emil Paoletta
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Pvt. Leonard Paoletta
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Pvt. O'Neil Paolucci
Pvt. Silbert Paolucci
Cpl. William Papay
Pvt. Albis Pascal
Pvt. Leo Pascal
Corp. Vito Pascale
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Cpl. Mario Piastrelli
Pvt. Silvio Pinali
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Pvt. Philip Santamaria
Sgt. Louis Sanders
Pvt. Nick Santioemma
Pfc. John Santosuso
Pfc. Salvatore Saso
Pvt. Guy Sanvido
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Pvt. Louis Sforzo
Pvt. Curley Scollo
Pvt. Carl Scollo

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Sgt. Joseph Spinelli
Pvt. Mike Spinelli
Pvt. Carmen Stavole
Pvt. Frank Stella
Anthony Strizzi, M.S. 2-c
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Pvt. Sam Taromina

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A-S Victor Tobacco
Pvt. Guilo Tofanetti
Pvt. Orlando Tonton
Pfc. James Tortelli
Albert Toscano
Pfc. Julius Trombetta
S 2-c Mario Troncone
Pvt. Sylvester Trunkett
Louis Tubero

Pfc. Eli Turchetto
Pfc. Adelbert Vellone
Cpl. Augustine Viglione
Donald Viglione, U.S.N.
Pvt. Mark Vulpio

Pvt. John Washelesky
Pvt. Patsy Williams

Pvt. Michael Zaccaro
Pvt. Philip Zaccaro
Pfc. Anthony Zanzano
Pvt. Secondino Zazzaro
Pvt. Joseph Zazzaro
S-Sgt. Michael Zona

Let's Be Thankful

Since the first Thanksgiving Day which was celebrated in Plymouth Colony in 1621, the American people have set aside the last Thursday in November and in 1864 it was proclaimed a national holiday by President Lincoln. It is on this day that year after year, generation after generation have been especially thankful and have acknowledged all benefits and favors to God.

Yet, as each year of this war goes by, more and more people have become less thankful, more depressed. It is true the entire world is in a dark era and the clouds are low with destruction and malice but other people of other periods have faced eras just as dark and just as depressive, yet, they had to be thankful for many, many things even at that time. And so must we!

We must be thankful for the things we still have, the favors and benefits we still receive from Almighty God. Not be depressed for the things we are without. We, as Americans, must be thankful for the mere fact our homes, our families have not been destroyed by enemy bombs and fire. Not be depressed because we only are allowed three pairs of shoes yearly. We must be thankful that we can still go to Church and pray for peace and not be afraid of facing a firing squad because of our faith. Not be depressed because the grocer said he was out of butter, meat, milk and etc. Some people seem to forget, we are still eating. Many are not!

Oh, yes, we Americans on this Thanksgiving Day, 1943, will have many, many, things for which to be thankful.

Home-Town Sports Chat

Whitewash is spread across the field and thus another season of the pigskin is ushered in, with baseball fading out of the picture as the Yanks unmercifully sweep the World Series from under the nose of the Cardinals.

Here are some highlights of October's upsets:

In Pro Football, Washington handed the Green Bay Packers their worst beating in 10 years, 33 to 7, while the romping Chicago Bears pulverized the Philadelphia-Pittsburgh Eagles, 48-21.

Collegiate tilts: Notre Dame's ramming machine crushed through Illinois' poor defense, 47-0. Northwestern repelled Ohio State 13-0. Michigan routed Minnesota 49-6. Army blitzed Yale, 39-7. Navy sank Georgia Tech 28-14.

High School football had some thrillers, too. Holy Name dropped Latin 7-6. Lincoln upset West High, 13-0. Col-linwood drove back East High, 20-0. John Adams barely edged Benedictine 2-0. In earlier contests West Tech was jolted by Rhodes, 13-6, Cathedral Latin swamped John Hay, 60-0, Holy Name whipped West Tech 7-0, and the Lincoln Champs continued their unbroken streak by rolling over Ignatius, 26-0.

Cathedral Latin will represent the East Side and Lincoln will fight for the West Side in the annual Charity Game,

Our Parish Chronicle

Keeping in line with the times our annual celebration in honor of St. Rocco had nothing of the usual gayety of the past many years. No band concerts, no bazaar etc. The novena preceding the feast day was held regularly and we prayed for our boys in the service. On the feast day, September 5, the usual procession took place. Hundreds of people who took place in it prayed with more fervor than ever.

Wednesday, September 8th our school opened its doors to our fine children with a very good enrollment. This is the 16th year of our school. By the way: you members of the '34 graduating class don't forget our appointment—for 1944.

The number of families of our parish has been increased by new families coming into Cleveland from other parts of the country on account of the war work. Still we are missing some of the old stock who are moving into better homes and higher class of socialites.

Our parish is getting more and more becoming a small melting pot. In the school we have all kinds of children and love them all. At the first Communion class of this year we had such names as Williams, Malinosky, Titko, Saunders, Sheridan etc. In the school we even have some nice children who are not of the flock: we welcome all and like them all.

Watch us grow! is our motto. Up to Sunday, October 31 we had 36 marriages (boys, don't forget your sweeties at home!) and 149 Baptisms, and what lovely babies who, being war babies, can take it very well and not cry at all when the too cool water is poured on their forehead.

Our pastor has announced that we have paid for 27 of our 60 \$500.00 bonds of our church debt; he wishes to pay for some more before Christmas, at least three more.

The novena devotion of Our Lady of Mercy is going on very nicely. Hundreds of people from everywhere attend it every Wednesday. September 24 was a great day of devotion and prayer, particularly for our young men in the armed forces. The Very Rev. Fr. Donnelly, President of John Carroll University, preached the novena. We have written in the special book we keep at Her Shrine over 2000 names of men in the various branches of the armed forces. We started to do that December 14, 1941. Since then only one man in the list has been killed in actual combat; many have experienced what is the motherly protection of the Mother of Mercy.

November 27th.

Hockey is around the corner, and in three exhibition games, the Detroit Red Wings, professional world champs lambasted the Cleveland Barons by the scores 9-2, 5-2 6-4.

ANSWER TO RIDDLE

The fall of Turkey, the destruction of China, the overthrow of Greece, and the humiliation of Africa.

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

— Marie Manfredi

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

Corp. Anthony Ferretti was one of the six Marines selected to assist in the Holy Hour Services held in the evening at Soldiers' Field, Chicago. 150,000 people were present and Anthony states it certainly was an impressive sight to behold the darkened stadium illuminated by candles held by the congregation.

Pfc. Caspar Marconi is in the Infantry at Camp Gruber, Okla., — he drills recruits and trains the boys — Domenic Palumbo is an Aviation Student at E. Tenn. State College, and hopes to soon become a Pilot, a Bombadier, or Navigator — Hurrah! for Roxie Girardi who is now T-5 Cpl., he is also a 1st Class Mechanic — but he doesn't know how long he'll keep his stripes — he says.

Sgt. Sam Bonfiglia is out in the desert again in California — Pvt. Joseph DePhillips sent us a letter on the cleverest stationery all the way from Hawaii — Up in Iceland is Pvt. Albert Giancaterino — Dabbling in Radio Field Artillery is Pvt. Enrico Molinari.

Pfc. Marco Vulpio has now been transferred to Seymour Johnson Field, N. C., after a 12 week course in drafting, out in Boston — Thanx for the note sent by John S. Comodeco F1-c — U.S.S. Henley (391) from "somewhere overseas"

In Northern Ireland is Cpl. Ralph Puntel — who remarks that it is a beautiful country, and the people are very friendly toward "us Yanks." — S-Sgt. Michael Zona, at Ft. Jackson, S. C. is now engaged in instructing the outfit in hand to hand combat which consists of 3 hour classes daily.

Somewhere in Sicily it Lt. J. A. Messuri — who is with the Famous Fighting First. He has also seen plenty of scenery in Africa, and was in Oran, Mateur, Algiers, and Tunis. John also saw old Roman ruins in Carthage similar to those in Sicily. — Pvt. Phillip Delfino U.S.M.C. certainly has had a variety of training. He spent 16 weeks going to various Engineering schools, and he has now just successfully graduated from Intelligence School. — In Fort Lewis, Wash., in the Ordnance is Cpl. Ezio DePiero. His job is electricity, and he has a job on all the trucks, tanks, etc. His wife has followed him all over the country from Mass. to California, and now to Washington.

While home on a short leave, Cpl. Augie Viglione told us that while out on a problem in a jeep, the jeep suddenly overturned, and he and his buddies were thrown out several feet — but luckily none were seriously injured outside of a few minor bruises. "Guess, I must have a hard head," Augie said — Pvt. Frank Caruso still can't get over how exciting it was to go up in a plane for the first time — John F. Ciliberto is proud of the rating he has received — that of Aviation Machinist Mate 3-c — but his proudest insignia are his Aerial Gunners Wings. At present he is attached to a Bombing Squadron — and he'll be flying in Liberator Bombers.

Pfc. Joseph Ciccotosto is in the 69th Medical Regt. — at Camp Maxey in La., and wishes us all the luck in the world — Pfc. Nick Paoletta enjoys being in the Coast Artillery A. A. Division in the jungles, and says he often goes on a pass with his cousin Sgt. Joe Paoletta. — We appreciated the post card Cpl. Louis Lauria sent us — picturing FULTON STREET in Fresno, California. The lad has a sense of humor. — Pvr. J. L. Indellicati is an Armament

instructor at Aloe Field, Victoria, Texas, "hell's half acre" according to him.

Daniel Indellicati is now attending a N. Y. Trade School as a Electrical Engineer (Air Corps,) — Nick Santioemma is still fighting it out someplace in the Mediterranean (Air Corps.) — Louis Armagno U.S.N. is having a time for himself somewhere in the Pacific with the U.S.N. Fleet — Donald Viglione (A.S.) likes the Navy — and has just completed his boot training.

Pfc. Leo Pascal at Camp Shelby, Miss. says "There is one experience which all of us who enter the Army soon find out, and that is: the Army can't make you do anything, but it sure can make you wish you had done it." Thanks for the entertaining and humorous letter, Leo. — Out in the desert close to Death Valley is Cpl. A. Battista — where he exclaims that he can't even get a good cigar.

A-S Peter Ferretti has successfully finished his college training and has now been classified as Pilot. Pete is now recuperating from a minor operation in Tenn., and we wish him luck.

A-S Victor Tabacco has also been classified as Pilot after graduating from Centenary College in La., Vic is now in San Antonio, Texas.

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT:

Appreciating the home sights were: T. Cpl. Emil Paoletta, Sgt. Nick Sanitato, Pfc. Phillip Delfino, U.S.M.C., Pvt. Sam Calandra, Cpl. Vincent DeTardo, Kenneth Heyer S 1-c, Tony Monte AMM 3-c, Pvt. Bob Collins, 1-Sgt. Marion Ballare, Pfc. Caspar Marconi, Pfc. Vito Anelli, Pvt. John Leoce, Mike Ramunni F 3-c, Pfc. Sam Durante, Cpl. Augie Viglione, Pfc. Alfred Melillo, Pvt. Concetto Balbo, Pvt. Anthony Ferretti, U.S.M.C., Peter Ferretti, A-S, Pvt. Mario Grassi, Pfc. Frank Suglio, Pvt. Peter D'Annibale, U.S.M.C. Cpl. Paul Pavia, Pvt. Enrico Molinari, Pfc. Peter Anguilano, Cpl. Albas Pascal, Pfc. Leo Pascal, S-Sgt. Mike Zona, Cpl. Mario Piastrelli.

While home on furlough, 1-Sgt. Marion Ballare W.A.C., received a beautiful ruby engagement ring from Cpl. John F. Tomasic — who is a Mine Planter and stationed at San Francisco Harbor.

Vicky Bailer is out in San Luis Obispo, Calif., visiting her husband Lawrence.

Betty Balash and Leonard Melillo are that way about each other — yep! — they're engaged — Wedding bells will ring for Nettie Lioce and Ernest Kare very shortly.

Mike Ramuni F 3-c was home on short leave — after doing convoy duty — The two Pascal brothers, Albas and Leo both home on furlough at the same time.

Anna (Monte) Collins home from San Diego where she had been living with her husband. Incidentally, Tony Monte, and his brother-in-law, were lucky to come home at the same time. It was a year since they had seen each other.

Mrs. Jerry Melillo back from her visit to California where she visited her son Mio — and daughter Rita — who is now Mrs. Bell — When Pfc. Frank Suglio was home recently — he and his buddy Frank Scarano went double on dates, and took in all the sights together.

It's good to see Tom DeTardo, Frank Pirronelli, and Ferdinand Guzzo back in the neighborhood again — they've all had an honorable Medical discharge.

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The War Chest Drive is now in progress in greater Cleveland -- Downtown Cleveland witnessed a large parade -- including colorful floats -- to spur people on for the Scrap Drive now in progress.

Parishioners observing the Annual Forty Hours' Devotion held at our church -- with prayers offered up for peace. -- Catholic schools had 2 free days -- Columbus Day and St. Edward's Day -- in honor of Coadjutor Bishop Edward Hoban.

STORK NEWS:

Mr. and Mrs. Canepa (Josephine Principato) boy.
Capt. and Mrs. J. Leacocos (Velia DeMarco) boy.
Cpl. and Mrs. Wm. Papay (Helen Ressa) girl.
Pvt. and Mrs. F. Munshower (Madeline Stazione) twin girls.
Pvt. and Mrs. Michael Popowniak (Marie Armagno) girl.
Widow of the late Geo. Favino, twin girls.

Babe in the Woods (A Diary)

Yesterday: I am sorry we are so far together. I wish we were closer apart.

Day before: We're having more weather this year than last.

Today: I started to Lorain to see some friends, and I saw a sign saying, "This take you to Lorain." So I got up on the sign and sat there for 3 solid hours. The darn thing didn't even move!

Tomorrow: I am mailing my aunt a coat by express. I cut off the buttons to make it lighter, but I'll put them in the pockets so she'll find them.

Day after: I enclosed a picture of myself when I WAS two in the package, but for fear that it might get lost, I took it out.

To His Cousin In Khaki

FEATURING ZEKE

Dear Cuzzin:

I thot I'd up an' writ yuh a outlion of typical daze of army life.

At 5:30 we got reverie an' spring write away in lion fer inspecshun an' than we clean up an' have brickfast. At 6:30 we clean up our quarters. In some places they clean up your dollars (rollin' the bones). At 7 I got more clean-in' to do -- the kernel's boots. I calls him Puss-in-boots cuz he's got a catty puss. This kernel's a doctor. I must be mighty careful fer the kernel's corns when I'm a-shinin' an' does I gets an earful when he screams. In the back of the barracks, this here doctor rolls in so much dough. I calls him doc, the bone specialist.

At 7:30 we have drill. 8:30, drill, 9:30, drill. 10:30, drill. 11:30, drill. 12:00, drill.

12:30, I'm in a heck of a MESS.

1:30 we rush on the range fer shootin'. Not craps, tihs time. Tho' a lot of the fellas shoot the bull. Not bull's-eye, mind yuh.

2:30, drill. 3:30, drill. 4:30, drill. 5:30, drill.

At 6 bells we retreat from the enemy drill. As I'm writin' to yuh the cap sez I'm to be promoted to another brigade.

Yours till I'm promoted,
ZEKE.

P. S. No. 1--The promotion is to be kitchen brigade. This does not ap-PEEL to me, Spuds, m'boy.

Home From Overseas

— Dora Casino

Sgt. Paul Pavia, 26, was home on furlough recently after being overseas for twenty months. He was in New Caledonia for eighteen months and was also in Australia for some time. He is back for re-assignment and is stationed in Tennessee. Paul has been in the Army for two and a half years.

Paul said the Australians were glad to see the American soldiers. He enjoyed his stay there. In New Caledonia the natives were very friendly toward the Americans. While across, he and his buddies were entertained by Joe E. Brown the comedian and his troupe. New Caledonian civilization is behind the times and there are plenty of mosquitos there. Paul thinks the girls here are much nicer than anywhere else he's been.

Paul has a brother in the service, Pvt. Joe Pavia, stationed at Fort Eustis, Virginia.

VITO COLONNA, S1-c

First Class Seaman Vito Colonna was only seventeen when he enlisted in the Navy and has been in for eight months. Stationed up in Alaska for the past seven months, he has seen plenty of action, including warfare in Kiska. He is a gunner -- behind a twenty millimeter gun and also works in the Pharmacy and the Hospital.

The family was overjoyed to have young Vito home on a twenty-day furlough. This blue-jacket proudly displays a new wrist watch, a cameo ring, and a car which his brothers and sisters all contributed as gifts.

Vito declares he is proud to belong to the finest Navy on the globe. He attended St. Rocco's School and was an altar boy.

The Cleveland Scene

Now for a little news about town -- Oct. 17 Cleveland had its first light snowfall -- oooh, soon she be coming down hard -- Leinsdorf make his dbeut as head of Cleveland Symphony Orchestra -- Cleveland chosen as 1944 convention site of Nat'l K. of C. -- Time was put back one hour on Cleveland clocks at the beginning of October -- Western Reserve University's medicine School celebrates 100th anniversary -- Frank Lausche won the approval of Cleveland voters by defeating Republican Edward Stanton in the Mayoralty Race. -- Plenty of tons of scrap iron were towed in Sunday, October 24 when 250 trucks cleared the city with 1400 volunteer workers to help. -- This year's War Chest drive has as goal \$5,500,000. The War Loan Drive was a huge success in our town.

Due to the man power shortage, a certain school teacher, besides her usual school work, drives the school bus and also plays the organ in the chapel. "It's very confusing at times, she says. I've reached the point when I push in the clutch I expect to hear music, and often when I am at the organ, I find myself sticking out my hand to indicate a turn."

Thus, Cleveland's life goes on and on----

P. S. No. 2--Next door bunker is peekin' at my letters agin. He sez reverie is spelled reveille. I up an' telled him it's still reverie to me becuz they need to throw cold water on me to get me out of it.

A Joyous Christmas To You All

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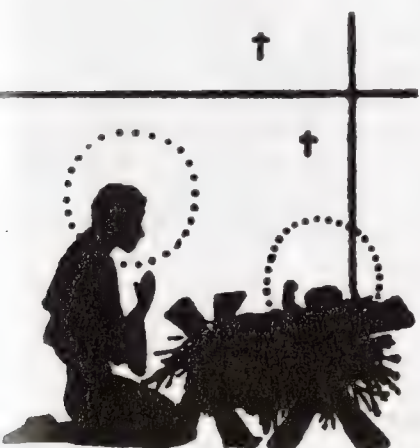
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PRINCE OF PEACE BRINGS HOPE TO WORLD FOR ACHIEVEMENT OF A LASTING PEACE



Nineteen hundred and forty-three years ago our Lord Jesus Christ was born in the form of man in a lonely manger in Bethlehem. He entered then into a world characterized by chaos, dissension and persecution. Today His eyes once more look upon disorder, mammoth destruction and untold sufferings by helpless millions.

Christ was the solace of the world at that time. He was hailed as the "Savior" of erring humankind. The Redeemer brought hope to humanity then and He brings it now again.

Far from the clang and clatter of the present-day strife we think of the message borne by the angels to the shepherds that eventful day: "Peace on earth to men of good will." If only men would have the desire to live peacefully together for their mutual good, that would be a good enough start. Nationalism, selfishness and pride—all these capital evils must be abolished before people can learn to live in brotherhood and mutual benefit.

The Charity of Christ is the one-point program for a world-wide peace table. If the warring nations would look to Christian principles for inspiration, the world would finally achieve a lasting peace.

There is fresh hope and new courage on this Natal Day of the Savior. The sky is brighter and the words are still emblazoned against the stars, "Peace on earth to men of good will."

City At Yuletide

Considering the way it is snowing at present, the city is due for a real "white" Christmas — This year Christmas will be celebrated with reasonable festivity and church services, but naturally, with all you boys away Christmas won't be like it used to be in the old home-town. — Even Thanksgiving was something like the old days, considering the circumstances.

The Sons of Italy held their National Convention in Cleveland recently — As you probably know, Frank Lausche was landslided into another term as mayor — Henry Speeth is in there pitching again as fifth ward councilman —

Red Cross instructed by Army and Navy to help needy dependents of servicemen directly out of Service Fund — Scrap, Bonds, paper, records — all these drives succeeded smashingly together with the Community Fund and now a discarded clothing drive has started to provide the needy in liberated countries — Cleveland is mustering up \$100,000 to install radios in the rooms of wounded servicemen destined for Crile General Hospital, Parma.

That's war-time Cleveland, busy as ever at Christmas time defense industries will be going full blast as usual, because the home front has the battle fronts in mind every minute.

Like A Letter From Home

that is the purpose of the

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THE REAL THING

Give this Christmas, not to receive, but just to give and make happy. To many, a small gift which seems to be a trifle, brings infinite pleasure and happiness. After all, the joy of Christmas is in making others happy!

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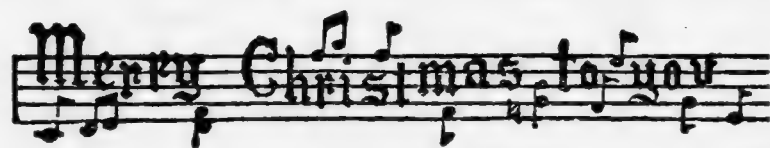
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Editorial—



MAY THE SWEET AND ABUNDANT BLESSINGS OF THE INFANT CHRIST BE WITH YOU EVERYWHERE, IS THE EARNEST WISH OF THE GAZETTE STAFF TO ALL THE SERVICEMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES.

CHRISTMAS IN OUR HEARTS

You will eat your Christmas dinner and sing your Christmas carols near a hillside in Italy or in the jungle land of a south Pacific isle or somewhere in unromantic Africa. Your food will be served on field platters devoid of all Christmas atmosphere. You will be thinking of your place at the table back home.

We at home are looking at that empty chair. We can see you in it. We can still spend our Christmas together. We can be together in spirit. We have the wonderful memories of yesterday. We can have a swell Christmas in our hearts.

HAIL 1944!

Soon the mists of time will soften the outlines of another year in our lives. The door of 1944 is just about to close out the past and ready to usher in the unknown future. We need a fixed purpose for our future. For a purposeless life is like a ship without any port in sight; it will only crash into the rocks of destruction. We must be prepared to steer a straight course in 1944.

Pastor's Christmas Message

Christmas time is here again . . . It is a war Christmas. What a contrast to say WAR and CHRISTMAS! Destruction, hatred, killing, selfishness; on the other hand peace, charity, saving of human lives, giving and rejoice in giving, making everybody happy . . . Let's hope that this may be the last bloody Christmas after a complete triumph of Charity and Truth, Justice and Peace!

Silent Night, Holy Night! — We in our churches and you in humble chapels, wherever you may be, will sing once again, regardless of the war, these simple yet so inspiring words. Tears will flow from our eyes; tears will run freely from yours too. Many, many sweet memories will crowd your minds that blessed night. Your old papa and mama; your wives, sisters and sweethearts will hear those words chanted by tenderly pleading voices and will think of you. Your chaplain will celebrate the sacrifice of the Mass for you; your choir will sing too: **Silent Night, Holy Night!** — Yes; I can imagine your emotions, my dear boys. Some of you will think, at the thought of the "Virgin tender and Child," of your wife, she too a tender mother with a child whom she will be looking, happily asleep, in his crib. A tear will warm your face; a prayer will come from your soul. Blessed tears; fervent prayers.

A happy Christmas to you, my boys, from me and the rest of the priests of the parish. We pray for you; we think of you; we bless you. A happy New Year!

Your Pastor

FR. SANTE GATTUSO, O.D.M.

P. S.—I beg every one of you to send me a photograph of you. I wish to make an album with your photographs and whatever pictures I have received already or may receive. I have in mind to start some kind of museum of our parish. It is a duty to keep such records which may speak in the future of our participation in this great conflict for justice and peace. **Please don't forget.**

THREADS AMONG THE GOLD

Putting your best foot forward does not mean you should kick about everything.

What you leave unsaid is often more important than what you say.

THE STAR SHINES BRIGHT

On that wintry night — poor little one
Shivering, He lay
On His Natal day!

But in Your mother's arms what love is won!
So have no fear,
Bambino dear.

O Star spangle stippled so—
Let us shine and smile with your glow:
To be all faithfulness,
Before such Preciousness,
The Savior in our midst as a Bambino.

—M.R.



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Best-Seller Scotchman Story

Scotchie watched out for the pennies. When his wife died he bought a double tombstone at a reduced price, and had his own name put on the other side. The other day he staggered into a barber shop to get shaved.

"You — charge — fifteen — cents — to — shave — live men, don't you?" he panted.

"Why, yes," answered the cutter-up.

"What — you charge — to shave — dead — men"? he gasped.

"One dollar." The barber looked at him strangely and wondered what it all meant.

"Then — shave me — quick!"

A doctor had followed him in; Scotchie's eyes hungrily looked at the watch in the doctor's hand. "You'll live just fifteen minutes," said the doctor shortly.

Scotchie made a feeble motion, as with a lather-brush, and the barber went to work in a jiffy. He performed his task with neatness and dispatch; and, though Scotchie had several sinking spells of an alarming nature, yet he bore up to the end. When the last stroke of the razor was given, he gasped, in tones of satisfaction: "That'll do — eighty-five cents saved!" And immediately he expired.

To His Cousin In Khaki

FEATURING ZEKE

Deer Cuzzin:

Here it is Xmas time an' no stockin' t' fill. Darn it (not the sock), I asked the sarge fer a sock an' he hit me on the nose.

Speakin' o' feuds, I kin r'member back that at home how Aunt Clangabelle hitched the hosses one time an' pretend they was raindear an' she were mrs. Sandy Claws. But Maw couldn't bee fooled. She'd bust her vessels cuz she didn't wont the hosses touched nohow. She thot it too bee Paw acterally, up to sum ole trick. So she up an' waits till Auntie gets on the porch an' than gave Auntie the beating o' her life an' wot's more she added a pail o' tar. I kin still se Auntie a-rollin' in the sand an' whenn she got up she acterally had SANDY CLAWS!

I got some presents from Maw. She sent me a pick an' shovel. Auntie sent me a bar of lava soap, an' she sez my New Year's Rinsolution ought t'be to use that soap (Hee-haw, if I do, they WILL be New 'Ears!)

Years till New 'Ears (CORN).

ZEKE

P. S.—Didja notice the bedder English in this letter? That solder who's always critisizing my letters help me writ this one. He sez to use "write" not "writ", but I up an' sez the proverb sez "leave writ enough alone."

OUR BOYS WRITE IN

Dear Editorial Staff:

I just happened to go through some of my things and I picked up two old issues of the Gazette. Friends, I really enjoyed reading them over again. The paper really brings me close to all the things I have left behind. I sure would be one happy soldier if I could keep on receiving the Gazette. Years ago many of my buddies crossed the ocean to Italy. I didn't go but now they have nothing on me.

Cpl. Louis Sforzo, England.

Dear Staff:

A few lines to let you know I enjoy reading the Gazette. I know most of the boys who have entered the armed forces of our country and through it I receive the only news of them. I especially enjoyed the article in one of your recent issues on the Paoletta boys. I am a cousin. Being away for some time, I hadn't known that all 5 brothers had joined up.

Paul Ricchetti, Flc, c-o Fleet, N. Y.

Dear Friends:

Well, I received another of your Gazettes and I wish to thank you all for I love to read all about the folks back home. I am proud of you for doing a great job back home. It keeps up our morale. As for my buddies: keep on the ball and we'll get them down soon. I took a crack at those Japs and plan to do it again soon.

Vito Colonna, Slc, c-o Fleet, Calif.

Dear Friends:

I received your most welcome Gazette and was sure overjoyed at getting it. It sure had interesting news in it, as it always does. Can't tell anything about my doings. Hope everyone is swell back there.

Pfc. F. A. Caruso, Pocatello, Idaho

BOYS, WRITE TO YOUR FRIENDS

For the last several issues, letter writing has been encouraged as a builder of morale. Each issue we shall list some addresses so you can write to your friends.

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★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

— Marie Manfredi

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

Cpl. Joseph Enia has been in Sicily 3 months, and hasn't had a dish of Spaghetti yet — and poor Joe misses it terribly. He saw two women making the tomato sauce (which made his mouth water), and that's the closest he's gotten to realizing his dream. Maybe he'll get some for Christmas.

"The girls in Italy have beautiful complexions and are very pretty" says Pvt. Anthony Acquaviva, "but they can't be touched with a ten-foot pole," ahem! guess Tony learns fast.

Sgt. Alfred Dadante's picture was discovered in an industrial magazine recently by his sister Filomena. The picture depicts a group of soldiers in North Africa in a dishwashing line. Alfred is now in Italy.

Norfolk, Va., is Donald Williams F 3-c attending advanced training school as an engineer.

Sgt. Frank Antonucci took a jaunt out to North Africa but is back in England again. He'll probably celebrate Christmas in "Merrie England's" old traditions. — Just another Yank in England is Cpl. Louis (Sputzy) Sforza — Pfc. Mario Grassi is taking a Specialists' training course in Propellers out at Chanute Field, Ill.

Patsy P. Ciliberto has been promoted to Sgt. now and has moved again — he is now at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma in the Infantry. — In the Motor Unit at Camp Davis, N. C. is Cpl. Albert Gregrio — who writes that he's looking forward to the next issue of the paper already.

Here's something for the books! Frank L. Gangale, CM 3-c received his stripe while still in boot training. Frank is now in Hawaii with Henry Paoletta — they certainly ought to experience a novel Xmas — Pvr. Albert Ricchetti is also in Hawaii — he's been in 10 months and hasn't had a furlough yet — Somewhere in the South Pacific is Pfc. Sal Saso. — Somewhere overseas is Pvt. Rocco DiLuzio, and Pfc. Italo Casino. — Paul A. Ricchetti, F 1-c, U.S.S. Charge writes "I know most of the boys who have gone to the Armed Services of our country, and through the Gazette I have received the only news of them."

After spending several months out in the South Pacific John Camodeco, U.S.N., was home on a 30 day leave. During his leave John went to visit his brother Larry who is a Sgt. at Camp Stewart, Ga. — Cpl. John Lioce works in the office as Company Clerk — he must be popular as John makes out the pay roll. — Sam Calandra is studying at Ohio University in Columbus, and manages to come home almost every week-end. — Pvt. Albert Toscano is an Engineer at Ft. Belvoir, Va. — While T-Cpl. John Cuculino is in Service Supplies at Ft. Dix, N. J., he wishes to say "Hello" to all the boys.

Cpl. Ralph Puntel is in Airdrome Squadron — Pfc. Edward Girard is a switchboard operator in Signal Corps — Dominic Palumbo is an Aviation Student — Pvt. Pete Gigliotti is in the Medical Regt. — Pfc. Julius Trombetto

is in Repair Sqd. — Pvt. Alphonse Ciccone in Quarter Master Co. — Cpl. Mike Melfi (Engs.) U.S.M.C. is at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Calif. — Pvt. Joseph Furio is at Camp McCain, Miss.

Cpl. Roxie and Cpl. Joe Girard, cousins, were on maneuvers in the south. On opposite sides, they were often in the vicinity of one another, but never had the luck to meet.

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT:

Home on furlough and catching up on the neighborhood news were: Pfc. Alfred Melillo, Sgt. John Santosuoso, Pvt. Augustine Russo, Pvt. Phillip Enia, Sgt. Frank Lonero, Pvt. Edward Girard, Cpl. Anthony Ferretti, U.S.M.C., Pvt. Tony Slavatore, Cpl. Roxie Girard, Ralph Didonna, Pfc. Art Lettier, Pvt. Joe Indellicati, Pvt. Daniel Indellicati, Robert Gubano, U.S.N., Pfc. Emil Faiella, Pvt. Albert Toscano, Pvt. D. Imburgia, T-Cpl. John Cuculino, Cpl. Louis Lauria, Pvt. Joseph Romeo, Cpl. Joe Girard, Sgt. Pete Pettiti, Cpl. Louis Lauria, Pfc. James Tortelli.

Pfc. Emil Faiella home on an emergency furlough to see his mother, who is very ill. Emil is a Gunner on a P-17.

Two brothers unexpectedly coming home on furlough at the same time were Pvts. Joe and Daniel Indellicati.

Staying with her husband Kenneth out in San Francisco, Calif., is Erselia (Mellilo) Hayer, who says they are now living in a beautiful Mexican styled home — Mrs. Mario Palange is also visiting her husband in Washington.

Carmela Damiano and Angelo Trunkett recently middle-aided it.

Blessed Event: Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Antonucci announce the birth of a daughter.

Sgt. John Santosuoso celebrated his furlough by becoming engaged to Florence Faenza. John's an Assistant Engineer and Aerial Gunner on a Bomber, and is proud of his new wings. Incidentally, Johnny is now overseas. — Another betrothal is that of Rose Suglio and Victor Dadante. — Before Joe Schemmente joined the Marines — he took the final step. Yes, Joe now has a wife, and her first name is Blanche. — Wedding bells will soon ring for Angeline Redda.

At the annual elections of the St. Vincent de Paul Conference, Mr. Anthony Russo was elected President. Mr. Russo succeeds the late Mr. A. Manfredi.

A phonograph was given to St. Rocco's School by the P.T.A. The students now have gymnasium classes to the tune of a peppy march or two.

Blessed Events: A boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Melillo. A boy, to S-Sgt. and Mrs. Nick Di Gioia.

HOW TRUE!

Teacher: Define the word "puncture."

Willie: A puncture is a little hole in a tire, found a great distance from a garage.

Santa's Mail Box

Dear Santa Clause:

At school I used to belong to the Tappa Keg Frat. Would you please bring some beer?

Your navel friend,
I. Candrink

* *

Dear Sandy Claws:

i wanna nife, 'n a gun; n a kite? n a swetter***, n a bull dorg, & sord½%(.). Tanks\$

yurs Truely
SeRGeant (?)

* *

Dear Saint Nick:

Are you the guy what brings presents? Well, I want a furlough!

Yours till I come home,
Pvt. Lonesome

* *

MY DEAR SANTA:

Oh, how we love and admire you. What can you do to have the bugle blow every morning at 9?

Until death do us part,
ALL OF US BUCK PRIVATES

* *

Heil, Herr Santa!

Blease brink a mustache for to put on mine doll. Blease if you it cannut find, dan take it off uf Herr Hitler, und vile you are at it, blease brink heem dis year a 6 foot hole for to sleep.

ME.

* *

Dear Santa:

Please see that every service man is safely home early in the next New Year.

Your admirer,

THE EDITOR

INJUSTICE A LA MODE

Two gangsters were escorting a member of a rival gang across the field on a dark and rainy night.

"What rats you are," grumbled the doomed one, "making me walk through a rain like this."

"How about us?" growled one of the escorts. "We've got to walk back!"

BROTHERS TAKE FIRST VOWS

In a simple but impressive ceremony held recently at the Monastery of the Fathers of Mercy, to which relatives and a few close friends attended, Brothers Joseph Antonucci, and Andrew Constanza took their first vows in the Order of Our Lady of Mercy. Rev. Fr. General A. Scotti officiated — while Rev. Fr. S. Gattuso gave a brief but effective address.

We wish the young Brothers God's Blessing and success in their vocation.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS



Home - Town Sports Chat

Snow is beginning to cover the nation's gridirons but it is not cold enough to smother King Football as yet.

In Cleveland Thanksgiving Day passed making it the first year Reserve failed to play Case. That's because Reserve dropped the pigskin for the duration. The Roughriders never beat W.R.U. anyway. Carroll hasn't played this year for the same reason.

The Stadium was packed as usual on a dreary snow-blitzed day when the East and West Side Champs clashed in the annual High School Classic, the Charity Game, Nov. 27. Lincoln was the favorite but the Latin Lions gained the crown by a spectacular 18-12 upset. Navy won the traditional Army-Navy encounter, 13-0. A great Notre Dame team finally lost to Great Lakes 19-14.

Although the West Tech Carpenters had an off season, two of our friends bore the brunt of their onslaughts: Frank DeCesare and Mike Zanzano. Hats off to their brilliant play!

It looks like old Steve O'Neill will not manage Detroit Tigers in 1944 — Paul O'Dea, former W. Tech star, will try out with the Indians this year. — Kenesaw Mountain Landis, commissioner of baseball, became 77 recently. — Trosky signed with the White Sox.

The Barons stand first in the Western Division of the American Hockey League. Up till now they have copped 6 wins and dropped 3 tilts.

I CANNOT BEAR IT

A Frenchman who was receiving assistance from an American friend in learning to speak the English language, asked his instructor. "What is ze polar bear?"

"Polar bear?" said the teacher. "Why, he lives way up north."

"Ze polar bear he leeve way up nort'?" What do he do?"

"Oh, he sits on the ice all day and eats fish".

"Ze polar bear, he leeve way up nort' an' he seet on ze ice all day an' eat feesh?"

"That's right."

"Den I weel not accept."

"You will not accept—what do you mean?"

"I was invite to be a polar bear at a funeral, and I weel not accept."

THE TREE-SON OF IT ALL!

I think that I shall never see,
A billboard as lovely as a tree.
Perhaps, unless the billboards fall,
I'll never see a tree at all.



LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

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In center, Mrs. Paoletta is entering the names of her five sons; at left, looking down at the book is Mrs. Ferretti, resident of the Blue Star Mothers; at right is Father Gattuso, pastor.

Mothers Enroll Sons

On Sunday, January 23 the Diocesan Service Roll visited St. Rocco's Church. Sponsored by the Catholic Universe Bulletin, the Service Roll, in the form of a huge book with a number of pages allotted to each parish, each Sunday visits a different parish of the Cleveland Diocese.

The above picture shows only part of the two hundred parents who came to enroll their sons in the service.

Among those who signed the Service Roll were Mrs. Dominic Paoletta of 3208 W. 33rd who has five sons in the armed forces, and Mrs. Mary Ferretti of 3408 Paris Ave., president of the parish's Blue Star Mothers Club, whose two sons are in the service.

Credit Union is Two Years Old

After two years the Federal Credit Union of St. Rocco's Parish has established itself as an outstanding success. Total assets loom over \$5,000.00 and loans figure in the vicinity of \$3,000.00. All members have expressed satisfaction in the union and men, women and even children are continually joining up.

At the annual election of officers the following were elected: Patrick Avon, Treasurer; Dominic Corrado, President; Anthony Auletta, Vice-President; Miss Marie Manfredi, Secretary. Other Directors elected were the Messrs. Michael Petruziello, Floyd Bianchet, John Indellicati, James Girard, and Angelo DeMarco.

SINCERE SYMPATHY

To Sgt. Dominic Colino, who was home to attend his father's funeral.

To Cpl. Mike Antonelli (somewhere in New Guinea) on the passing away of his mother.

We sincerely hope that the grief experienced by both of these boys was assuaged somewhat by our friendly thoughts and heartfelt sympathy.



St. Rocco parishoners flock around the servicemen's stand in the church yard

Howdy Neighbor Fulton and Clark Start Paper for Service Men



Ten-month-old August Grassi found a cool place in his mother's washtub during this week's heat. He lives at 3216 Fulton road, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Grassi.



Peter Pettiti
3318 Norton avenue



Mike Riccardi
3119-Walton avenue





Joe Paoletta
3208 W. 33d street



Peter Mazzone
2971 Fulton road



Dominic Ragon
4009 Woburn avenue 3313 Walton avenue



James Rutti Jr.

By JACK SMALL

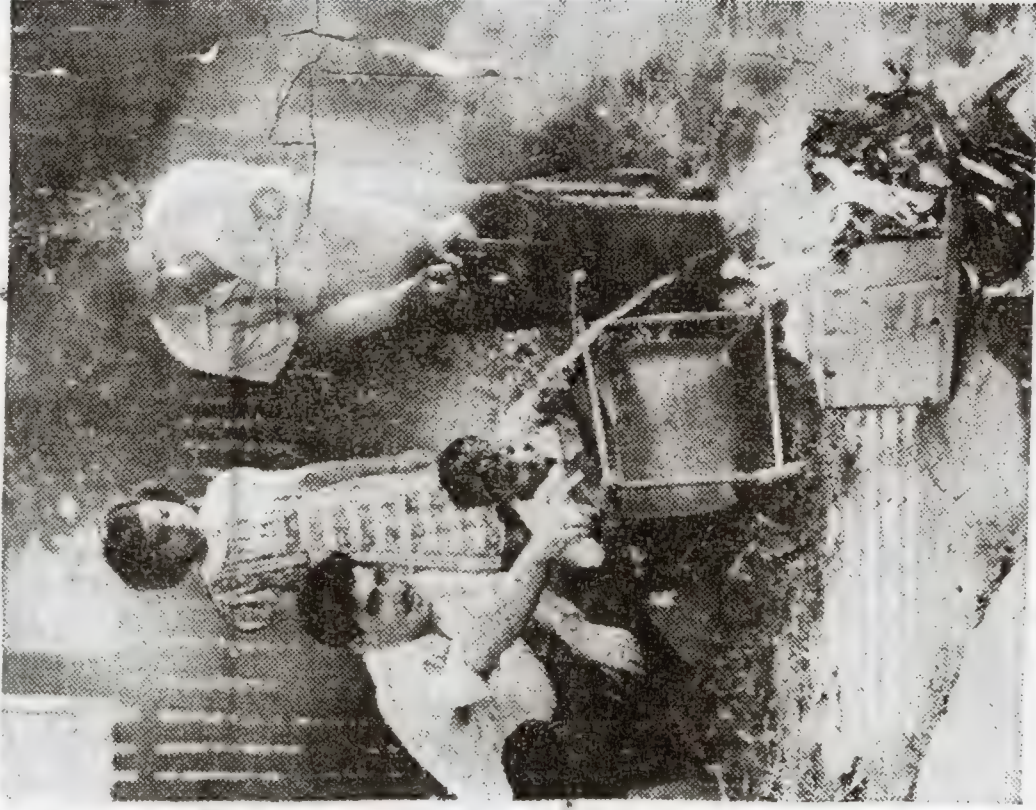
FROM the tightly wedged, neatly gardened homes in the Clark-Fulton area, 180 Italian-American men have



gone out to do battle with the Axis, with the country where hundreds of their elders were born. Confident and determined they marched away in the service of America, the cheers and well-wishes of many an immigrant parent ringing in their ears.

For this is war and old country ties are forgotten in this populous Italian settlement where every fist is clenched against an Axis that would seek to enslave the world. I found that out this week on a "Howdy Neighbor" visit to the neighborhood which alone has given Draft Board 5 one-third of its 550 servicemen so far.

Unique in this area is the link between its people and nearby St. Rocco's Catholic Church at 3205 Fulton. More than 3500 persons—almost the entire population of the surrounding blocks—belong to the church and make it the center of their wartime activities



Dominic Corrado, left and Anthony Auletta, air raid wardens, show Marian Corrado, 11, and Peter, 7, how to fight an incendiary bomb fire, the "bomb" being a burning basket. Peter is instructed to creep up with a chair and spray a fine stream.



William Papay
3451 W. 63d street



Sam Taormina
2167 W. 95th street



Joe Bartolozzi
3111 Walton avenue



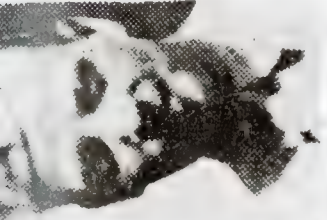
Carmel Genco
3602 Hyde avenue

road has taken a leaf from The Press' weekly "Home Front" and is publishing a six-page parish newspaper which will be mailed monthly to each serviceman. It is called the "St. Rocco Servicemen's Gazette."

and Leonard, Seaman Gus are away and 19-year-old Jack is at home with sister Lee and raring to go. Among the business men, Anthony Crisafi collected five tons of rubber during the recent scrap drive at his



The St. Rocco Service-men's Gazette staff. Seated, Claudia Cianfarani, Maria Manfredi, Editor Sam Scaravelli and Dora Casino, Standing, Nick Tortelli, Tullie Grassi, Phil Ricciardi, Tina Del Medico and Tony Monte.



Joseph Spinelli
3318 Norton avenue



Tony Mazzone
2971 Fulton road



Edward Girard
3142 Paris avenue



Councilman Henry W. Speeth's neighborhood civilian defense committee. Bottom row, Arthur Sifling, Mr. Speeth, John Crisafi, Dominic Leoce, George Berghaus, J. G. Schmitt, Joseph Dietz, Peter Leibersberger. Standing, Dr. Dudley Hain, Frank Veverka, Walter Rendinger, Edward Bartels, F. C. Kloz and C. A. Vejcek.

Corrado, 3615 Trent avenue and Anthony Auletta, 3143 W. 38th street, are rendering yeoman service as air raid wardens in the neighborhood. They would like to see more men volunteer to help them. The 75 members of the Home Family Club led by Vincent Pompei and Angelo De Marco hold regular social affairs to make Red Cross donations; The Trentino Club lead by Emil Bartuzzi recently purchased

Mr. Speeth has a civilian defense committee and holds regular meetings at his home on W 32d street

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A Soldier Pens His Views

One of the parish service men sent this little reflective essay to the editor. The sentiments expressed by the soldier therein are very praiseworthy and stimulating and ought to well afford an opportunity for some serious meditation.

"If you who are overseas should suddenly be shifted back to Cleveland, there might be many things that would surprise you. If you were to walk down Euclid Avenue on a Saturday evening, you might ask yourself if this country really were at war. There actually isn't much difference between a Saturday night in Cleveland of January, 1940, and one of January, 1944.

"Throughout the city you will notice very few outward signs of war. The crowds being just as large as ever, you'll notice uniforms around but they will be lost in the mobs. As you ride toward your home, that a war is going on never even enters your mind. No signs at all. Fortunately war hasn't really touched our country yet.

"Then, on Sunday morning you go to Church — that's where you discover that America is at war.

"The women kneeling before the Sacred Heart have no need of prayer books to ask God's protection for their soldier sons. The Communion rail is the objective of an incessant bombardment for the most precious gift in the world—peace!

"In front of Our Lady of Mercy countless vigil lights flicker; each one of them shines for a soldier. This heavenly Mother will guide unerringly their steps, wherever they go; Mary will take the place of their Mothers, as they must remain at home.

"There is your hope, soldier. These mothers. These prayers."

WRITE TO YOUR BUDDIES, BOYS!

John F. Ciliberto, AMM 3-c
Bombing Squadron 112
c/o Fleet P. O., New York, N. Y.
Pvt. Sam A. Brooks, 35057432
24th T. S. S.—Flt. 3
Ft. Logan, Colorado
Cadet Gerard Cozzarin
Co. E., Box 51, A. S. T.
Georgetown Univ., Washington, D. C.

Pastor's Message

MY DEAR BOYS

January 29 marked twenty years since my coming into the parish of St. Rocco. It was in 1924 when, obeying the call of our dearest Archbishop, I came from Youngstown to Cleveland. Twenty years is a long time in everybody's life, and great changes have taken place everywhere in this valley of tears.

It was a very cold day January 29, 1924, when I moved into the little church on Trent Ave. It was almost as cold the reception I had: the gas shut off; the telephone disconnected; they took away even the bulbs from the sockets. We were two priests then, but we found only one bed with only one sheet. I slept on the floor and on the chair that January 29. There was no house for us; we had to rent a little home across the street from the little chapel. All the money left to me by my predecessor was \$5.27 and \$8,000.00 mortgage on the little church. Not one square inch of land was the property of the so-called parish. People were religiously discouraged, indifferent; they told me I was out of my mind, when the first time I spoke to them in church on February 3, 1924. I told them we were going to have a larger church, a school, a parish house, a sisters house. I did not get discouraged, dejected in meeting so culties was the ill will of many who could not be convinced many and so hard difficulties. One of the hardest diffi—that things had to go straight and everybody had to mind his business and let the pastor take care of the church. Of those days it should be said what St. Paul says about his tribulations. I have always believed in the old proverb: do right and forget it — do wrong and worry. My program was clearly set and promptly started to be put into execution. With the hearty cooperation of few men, praying and suffering, putting everything into the unfailing trust of the Sacred Heart, of Our Blessed Mother of Mercy and St. Rocco, things started to happen and soon. Less than a year after my coming I bought the land off Fulton Rd. The following year, in 1926, we started to build; in 1927 we built again, the parish house, and the school was opened; in 1929 we provided a home for our teaching sisters; in 1931 the enlargement of the school was begun; in 1933 we completed the school; in 1935 (in the thick of the depression) we enlarged the parish house. In 1939 some more land was purchased on West 33rd. Since 1927 I had very enthusiastic cooperators in the work for our parish in our sisters, particularly Mother Teresa (**Attention boys: Mother Teresa is sick; pray for her. She is at St. Rocco.**)

Twenty years ago! Some of you were not born; the majority were only little boys; all our youngsters did not exist. My God, how can we all thank you for so many almost countless benefits! Today our parish is a well established parish with a fine set of buildings and others being planned for the near future: new church, new sisters house, our high school. During these past 20 years we had 3171 baptisms; 1603 first Holy Communions; 2305 confirmations; 947 weddings; 799 deaths. The number of families has increased from 402 to 868; the number of souls from 1246 to 3354. The spiritual life has increased in proportion although there are people who are still deaf to the voice of God. In 1924 we had an average of two or three Communions a day, if there were. The first Holy Thursday I had six Communions. Morality among our people is high, very high in-

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Roll of Honor



* denotes Honorable Discharge

Pvt. Anthony Acquaviva
Pvt. John Alberino
Vito Amato, S1-c
Cpl. August Amaroso
Pvt. Peter Alberino
Pfc. Louis Anelli
Pfc. Vito Anelli
Pvt. Anthony Anguilano, U.S.M.C.
Pfc. Michael Anguilano
Pvt. Michael Anguilano
Pfc. Peter Anguilano
A-S Sam Anguilano
Cpl. Michael Antonelli
Sgt. Frank Antonucci
Cpl. Vito Ardito
Louis Armagno, S 1-c
Michael Almasy F 2-c
Pvt. F. Anzalone
T /3rd Gr. Michael Altier
Pvt. Robert Artwell

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Pvt. Thomas Balbo
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Pfc. Fred Battaglia
Pfc. Raymond Battaglia
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Pvt. Sam Brooks
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Pvt. Vito M. Brucchieri
Pvt. Albert Bruno
Pvt. Anthony Bruno
Pvt. Herman Bruno
Cpl. John Buo
Pvt. Rudolph Bergantino
Eugene Bettinezza
Pfc. Rino Briancesco

Pfc. Sam Calandra
Pvt. Joseph Camerata
Pvt. Joseph Camerato
Pfc. Theresa Camerato, WAC
Pvt. Leonard Camerato
Cpl. Dominic Camilli
Pvt. Charles Candela
Pvt. William Cannato
Pfc. Angelo Caporaso
Pvt. James J. Cappellia
Pvt. Michael Cappelli
Pfc. Frank Caruso
Cpl. Joseph Caruso
Sgt. Anthony Casella
Cpl. dalo Casino
Pfc. Pat Caso
Capt. Frank Centanni
Pvt. John Cellura
Pfc. Loretto Cianfarani
Pvt. Alphonse Ciccone
Pvt. Peter Ciccone
Pvt. Frank Ciccotosto *
Pfc. Joseph Ciccotosto
Pfc. Edmund Cifrani
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Sgt. Patsy Ciliberto
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Sgt. Louis Ciocca
Pvt. Rocco Ciocca
Pfc. Ivo Cioletti
Sgt. Ugo Cioletti
Frank Cocchiaralee, ANM2-c
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Sgt. Dominic Colino

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Vito Colonna, S 1-c
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Pvt. Pat Cordisco
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Pvt. Mario Cuffari
Cpl. Ross Cuffari
A. S. Albert Cozzarin
Cadet Gerard Cozzarin
Sam Caniello
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Cpl. Joseph Coniglio

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Pvt. Victor Dadante *
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Pvt. Aug. D'Ambrosio U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Peter D'Ambrosio
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Pvt. Leon De Intinnis
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Pvt. Joseph Girard
Pfc. John Girardi
Cpl. James Girard Jr.
S-Sgt. Michael Girard
Cpl. Rocco Girard
Sgt. Leonard Grabowski
Pfc. Mario Grassi
Pfc. Mickey Gratson
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Pfc. Robert Guerici
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Pvt. Richard Petrella
Cpl. John Petric, Jr.
S-Sgt. (Steve) Petrucci
Pvt. Angelo Pettiti *
Cpl. Peter Pettiti
Michael Pettiti MM2-c
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S-Sgt. Michael Zona

THE BOYS COME HOME

—Dora Casino

PFC. SAM CALANDRA

A former member of the Gazette Staff is seen around town almost every week-end. He is Pfc. Salvatore Calandra, a student of the Army Specialized Training Program at Ohio State University. Sam is studying under this program which includes a six month course of Italian language, history, and geography. So far this program has been very successful and one of its largest units is the one at Ohio State, a unit of 3500 men. The school offers most of the recreation for the men: social gatherings, dances, and the student body has set up "canteens."

Sam was inducted back in April 43, soon after his graduation from John Carroll University where he received his Ph.B.

SGT. EDDIE KELLY

Recently home on furlough all the way from Santa Anna, California was Sgt. Edward Kelley. He has been in the service for four years and has had two furloughs in that time. Twenty-three year old Ed now is a flight surgeon's assistant attached to a medical unit and is also a drill sergeant.

Eddie likes the Hollywood Canteen (who wouldn't) and has really seen most of the famous stars, including Bettie Davis. According to him the Texas "gals" are the best "Seems to me I've heard that song before" (from about 200 hundred other servicemen).

His only comment: "Been in the army too long."

And The Boys Write Home

To the Gazetteers Club:

I received your last Gazette and really appreciate it. It gives me an opportunity to see where the rest of my friends of the armed forces are located and what they are doing. Please give everyone my hearty regards. I am attending Administrative School of the Air Force here.

Pvt. Sam Brooks, Fort Logan, Colorado

Dear Gazetteers:

I thank you for sending the Gazette all this way. It was good to read about all the boys whom I used to see around the neighborhood. I like Ohio better than this place.

Sal DeBellis, S2-c, Moffett Field, Calif.

Dear Friends:

I am all settled in a new camp now and hope to keep on receiving the Gazette even here. I find it very interesting and informative reading.

Pvt. Anthony Ducato, Camp Millard, Ohio

Hats Off To Our Captains

Captain Domenic Caravona, well-known doctor in our parish, and formerly associated with St. John's Hospital is now somewhere overseas, with the Medical Battalion.

Captain John Leacacos, who is now somewhere in Italy, was formerly with the Cleveland Plain Dealer. One of his recent articles "Civil Affairs Officer" appeared in the November issue of the **Military Review**.

Captain Frank Centanni is stationed at Camp White, Oregon, and is in command of a Rifle Co., in a Rifle Regiment in the Infantry. Captain Centanni was also fortunate in being home for the holidays—it was his first Christmas home in three years, and he certainly appreciated his 15 day leave.

We are proud of the above mentioned captains from St. Rocco's parish, and wish them good fortune wherever they may be.

The Cleveland Scene

"Dime marches on" as the coins poured in for the Infantile Paralysis "March of Dimes" . . . Tin Cans Drive and Paper Salvage were successes . . . Fourth War Loan Drive begins with goal of \$208,000,000 in War Bonds for Cleveland in a month's time . . . Bingo for welfare organizations has staged a big comeback . . . School kids invaded City Council to demand unlimited use of 50-cent street car pass . . . Talk of abolishing adult's \$1.25 pass revived by City Transit . . . Mayor Lausche said seeking Governorship or a seat in the Senate . . . Cleveland Barons are way up on top in the Hockey League, for a change . . . A Cleveland Boy from St. Marian's Parish was awarded nation's highest medal for his valor on the battle front: Pvt. Frank Petrarca.

NOTICE

Zeke, our hill-billy private, is back in his hills on furlough. While resting he will not "writ" to his "Cousin in Khaki."

MIDDLE-AISLERS SWING IT

Just before the holiday season, Cpl. Joe Spinelli and Frances Artino tied the knot. They were fortunate in having Pfc. Jimmy Tortelli home to act as best man with his fiancée Rose Spinelli in the role of maid of honor. A large reception was held.

Wedding bells also rang for A/C Peter Ferretti and Jean Molinari — and Leonard Melillo and Betty Balash. Both couples were married the same week, two days apart and both had large receptions. The Ferrettis at North Italian Hall, and the Melillos at the Sons of Italy Hall.

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

While Cpl. Don Brucchieri was in N. Africa — who should he run into, but Leonard Giangrande. They were together only a few hours.

Through the "Gazette", Pvr. Ivo Cioletti discovered that Cpl. Caspar Marconi is also stationed at Camp Gruber, Oklahoma with him. . . Sgt. Sam Bonfiglio has an interesting job — he censors the mail. . . In the Radio Air Corps and taking up advanced radio work at Ft. Monmouth, N. J. is Cpl. James DeTardo . . . Louis Mazzone U. S. N., is now in Naples. Oh, yes! while Louis was in N. Africa he bumped into Clifford Crisafi.

Merchant Marine Leonard Paoletta has been to Sicily, Scotland, and England, and has seen a lot of action. But, Lenny informs us that he had the best time in good ole New York, and wouldn't trade the U. S. A. for any other country. . . In the good old hard Infantry is Pvt. Harry DeMarco. He's a gunner in 60 M.M. Mortor Section . . . Charles V. Sanchez, SK 3-c, is a Diesel Technician in the Naval Supply Depot at Harrisburg, Pa. . . In the Anti-Tank Division at Ft. Knox, Ky. is Pvt. Vito Brucchieri . . . Pvt. Joseph Furio is somewhere on the west coast . . . T/Sgt. Carl Principe is at La Junta, Colorado . . . Proud of his new stripe is Roccie Rutti, who can now be hailed as "Sgt." Roccie is completing maneuvers in the south. We wish to thank Pfc. Arthur Lettieri, of Stout Field, Indianapolis, Indiana, for sending us his camp paper entitled "Falcon News" of which Arthur is Editor. And we must admit that it really is a fine paper . . . Sal DeBellis S 1-c, still prefers Ohio to California. . . Cpl. Jimmy Timoteo out at Camp Maxey, Texas . . . While John Brucchieri, S 2-c is at Great Lakes, Ill. . . In Oceanside, Calif. is Pfc. Sy DeCesare. S-Sgt. Salvatore Gerace is now at Ft. Jackson, S.C.

Pfc. Frank Caruso spent Xmas Day in an Army Hospital with rheumatic fever, and also with a case of the mumps. But, Frank can take it, and we appreciated the fact that Frank wrote us on Christmas Day to wish us the season's greetings . . . Incidentally, Cpl. Joe Caruso has been in N. Africa for the last 7 months as an M. P. with the Prisoners of War Detachment . . . Happy to be back in Ohio, is Pvt. Anthony Ducato, who is now stationed at Camp Millard, Bucyrus, Ohio . . . Pvt. John Monteleone, of Camp Butner, N. C. is working in the Dispensary and helping out in the Pharmacy — and really enjoys his duties . . . In the Marine Corps is Pvt. Albert D'Ambrosio . . . Cpl. Pat Gagliardi is somewhere in Canada in the ground crew of the Air Corps.

Attending Ft. Logan, Colo. Administrative and Clerical Technical School of the Air Force, is Pvt. Sam Brooks. He extends his hearty regards and the best of luck to all the boys . . . Studying languages and political science at Georgetown University is Cadet Gerardo Cozzarin. . . Somewhere in New Guinea in the Engineer Air Corps ground crew, is Cpl. Mike Antonelli. . . Pvt. Joe Gargano was made first class Gunner on an 81 M.M. Mortor Section. Joe was home to attend his aunt's funeral . . . Sgt. Emil Paoletta is a radio operator for a Major at Camp Shelby, Miss. . . In Seattle, Washington in the Ordnance Co. and acting as head painter there is Cpl. Mario Palange. . . Stationed at Camp Kearney, Calif., and in the Air Corps is Pfc. Frank Gallo. U. S. M. C. "Chick's" been to 7 different bases in 2 months. Somewhere overseas is Cpl. Louis Lauria.

Pfc. Jimmy Rutti and Pvt. Mario Molina are both in the Aleutian Islands and hope to bump into each other some day. They were buddies before the war.

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT:

Enjoying the holiday season home were: Pfc. Carl Ricchetti, Pvt. Harry DeMarco, Cpl. Anthony Ferretti, U. S. M. C., Pvt. Joe Gargano, Pvt. Frank Stella, A/C Peter Ferretti, Sgt. Sam Bonfiglio, Pfc. Loreto Cianfarani, Sgt. Joe Spinelli, Pvt. Mike Spinelli, Sgt. Edward Kelley, T/Cpl. Lawrence (Babe) Bailer, Cpl. James DeTardo, Pfc. Louis Anelli, Cadet Gerardo Cozzarin, Pvt. Joe Cellura, Pvt. Edward DiFiore, Frank Cocchiarale AMM 2-c, Cpl. Augie Viglione, Charles V. Sanchez S.K. 3-c, Pvt. Vito Brucchieri, Pfc. Thomas Enia, Pfc. Sam Durante, George Minetto, U. S. N., and Capt. Frank Centanni.

Home on furlough and just missing the holidays were: Pfc. Jimmy Tortelli, Cpl. Pat Gagliardi, Pfc. Frank Gallo, U. S. M. C., Leonard Paoletta U. S. M. S., Pvt. Mario Grassi, Pfc. Augustine Cola, Sgt. Anthony Casella, Sal DeBellis S 1-c, Mike Ramunni F 3-c, T/Cpl. John Cucolino, and Lt. Frank Felippelli.

Speaking of coincidences, here's something. Capt. Frank Centanni and Pvt. Harry DeMarco had to come all the way to Cleveland to discover the fact that they were both in the same division at Camp White, Oregon. They noticed each other's insignias at Midnight Mass, Christmas Eve.

The Blue Star Mothers Club had Midnight Mass said for all the Servicemen of the parish, and all the mothers received Holy Communion in a group — and that was the best Christmas gift you fellows could receive from your mothers.

Mr. Vincent DeBellis put up a beautiful crib this year at his home.

The newly organized Young Boys Choir sang at Midnight Mass, under the direction of Fr. S. Gattuso

Mrs. Rose (Dadante) Candela is now with her husband Charles at Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Congrats to Mike Aimasy, U. S. N., and his wife Irene (Forchione) on the birth of a daughter.

T/Cpl. Lawrence (Babe) Bailer was home on his first furlough, and enjoyed Xmas week by becoming reacquainted with his 9 month old daughter Bonnie. Incidentally the Bailers were very busy putting up their first Xmas tree. "Babe" is also Music Technician of his Company at San Louis Obispo, Calif.

Christmas was celebrated by the Ramunni family with the tree and all the trimmings, dinner and all, a week earlier, due to the fact that Mike Ramunni F 3-c was home at the time. . . Pvt. Frank Stella delivered his Xmas present in person to his wife by coming home unexpectedly on Xmas Eve. . . Two brothers fortunate in both being home for Christmas were A/C Peter Ferretti, and Cpl. Anthony Ferretti, U. S. M. C., it was 9 months since they had seen each other.

We wish to thank the many servicemen who so thoughtfully sent the Gazeteers Holiday greetings — we really appreciated it.

We liked the personalized Xmas card Cpl. Mike Riccardi sent us — it certainly is a good picture of Mike, who is now at Ardmore, Oklahoma . . . Thanks also to: Pvt. Enrico Molinari, Cpl. Ulderico Bricchieri, Cpl. and Mrs. A. Gregorio, Pfc. Frank Caruso, Pfc. Loreto Cianfarani, Cpl. Jimmy Timoteo, Cadet G. Cozzarin, T/Sgt. Carl Principe Cpl. James Girard.

— Marie Manfredi

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deed. No dangerous fire cracks are shot in the darkness (you know what I mean), and all is peace.

The financial life of the church has become healthy and strong too. I have before me my first financial book. The first month I was in the parish the collections were \$4.97, \$2.00 etc. All the month of February 1924 I had \$122.23. In 1943 we had a total of receipts of nearly \$30,000.00. In the 20 years past we had a general income of \$367,715.75 and a general total of expenditures of \$350,943.48—please don't forget we went through the terrible depression, during which our receipts were miserable. Our church debt has been reduced to only \$14,500.00; we have over \$11,000.00 ready for the new church, we are meeting all our obligations without any trouble.

All glory and honor be to God, the author and giver of all good. Without Him we cannot do, and could not have done anything.

Christmas and all its beautiful ceremonies went along very nicely. Our new boys choir sang the midnight Mass well; inspiring songs were chanted too. We had two Masses at midnight: one in church and the other in the hall. Both were packed. Many Holy Communions were received at all Masses. This 1943 Christmas was impressive for the seriousness of the people who certainly prayed with more fervor than ever.

Our 1943 Christmas collection was very good, the best we ever had: almost \$2700.00.

More and more men are being drafted from among our families; married men, with or without children, are being inducted. God bless them.

During 1943 we had: 172 baptisms, 46 dead (only 29 in 1942), 46 weddings, 105 first Holy Communions.

There's a very consoling religious revival among the people of our parish. Some time ago one of you boys wrote me asking if it was true that: your old men were starting to go to church. Yes siree; they are coming to church, they are going to Holy Communion, they are forming a great big sodality of their own, they are attending the Holy Hour every first Friday of the month from 8 to 9 P. M. And you, my dear boys are the cause of this happy return, you are the object of their prayers. Yes, papas pray too and fervently, and they do cry with all possible emotions.

We had several soldiers weddings last year. Some of the boys have been in action and so had to be tough. Yes, tough my eyes; why they were so nervous and trembling, while the weaker counterpart was so steady and beaming with joy. Now I understand why quite few of you boys were so shy when in the past years I was telling you to get married. It looks easier for you to meet Japs than to cross the river. But watch yourselves, boys—Yes I am waiting for the end of the war to see all of those who are eligible to become the head of a fine family.

During the month of January we had the following baptisms: Francis De Angelis — Nancy Marie Luaci — Nicholas Carl Marchiano — Donna Marie Almasy — Walter George Boermer — Mirna M. Cuffa — Jack Howard Trissell — Arthur Michael Lonera — Barbara Ann Victor — Raymond Larry Ambrose. And what babies; God bless them and their good papas and mummies!

The following couples entered the Holy Bond of Matrimony: Air Cadet Potito Ferretti and Miss Jean Molinari—Pvt. Isaac Namie and Miss Mary Gori-Adelino Imperatore (a former St. Rocco's school baby) and Miss Nellie Pescatrice — Patsy Zuccarelli and Miss May Teresa Simone. Best wishes to all for a long and a happy married life.

WHEN COUSINS MEET



(This photograph of Sgt. Alfred Dadante (left), and "Carabanieri" Joseph Pizzarelli (right) was received recently by Mrs. L. Dadante.)

Many strange and wonderful things are occurring in this war. Now and then we hear of some soldier who came across a relative somewhere in Italy — a grandmother, a mother, a father, a brother, a cousin — well, Sgt. Alfred Dadante had just that happen to him. Just by accident he bumped into his cousin, a member of the Italian Police.

While in Palermo, Sicily, Sgt. Dadante was busily engaged in conversation with a group of friends, when much to his surprise, he overheard his mother's cousin name mentioned among another group nearby. His curiosity aroused, he immediately made inquiries concerning the name. The young man pictured above with Al was surprised that a casual utterance of a name should arouse an American soldier's interest. But after an exchange of ideas regarding relatives the two were overwhelmingly delighted to discover that they were second cousins.

Since then, Al and Joe have seen one another quite often. Sgt. Al claims Joe is a "grand guy". Joe is a member of the Italian Police Force in Sicily.

It's certainly a small world, after all!

In the journey to eternity we were preceded by: John Marius, Vincent Verzi, Jerry Ferraro, Rev. John Belfi (a visiting priest from Italy), Fiorentino De Santis, Catherine Cirulli, Joseph Barlafante, Sabatino Colella, Angela Santino. May they rest in peace. Amen.

This is all, my boys. We are all well and so we hope to hear from everyone of you. We are with you and for you; we pray for you. Glad to repeat again: we have many in fighting zones and all are doing well, **but everybody is well.** We thank God.

Your pastor,
Fr. S. Gattuso, O.D.M.

LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

ST. ROCCO'S



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"Missing In Action"

John Santosuosso

A COMMENDATION for meritorious achievement has been received by his mother. "By your skillful airmanship and courage you enabled our Group and Wing to deal a vital blow to the enemy." These were the words received from Colonel Dale C. Smith, his Commander.

"Please remember that you should in no wise consider your son as dead," was the consoling message of his Chaplain, Method C. Billy, O.M.C., to the parents.

S/Sgt. John Santosuosso, 21, has been missing in action since February 11, 1944, in a raid over enemy territory in the European battle area. In the last letter received from him he stated that he had been assigned to a new plane and that he had already been on five missions, one of which he described as being "pretty rough," John enlisted in 1942 and received his wings in Kingman, Arizona. He went overseas in November of 1943 and was stationed in England becoming a waist gunner on a B-17 (Flying Fortress). Since his enlistment Johnny had only been home once and that was in October, at which time he became engaged to Miss Florence Faenza. John is a graduate of St. Rocco's School and also attended Lincoln High.

We are hoping sincerely that soon word will reach Mr. and Mrs. Santosuosso, of 3164 Fulton Road, that their son is alive and well. We know that if Johnny gets home he will give his mother that promised stripe for being such a good soldier.



Sgt. Santosuosso

BOYS OF PARISH ARE ACTIVE

The Sante Catholic Union was established in 1943 on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee of Fr. S. Gattuso. It was named in his honor.

It is a club for teen-aged boys, and the club has been active in many ways. The boys have a bowling team, a basket-ball team, and the boys also sing in the choir, under the direction of Fr. S. Gattuso.

The first president was Domenic Sforza. At the recent elections, the following were elected officers: Nick Tortelli, President, Joe Lattanzi Vice-President, Domenic Sforza Financial Secretary, Gregory Leoce Treasurer, Domenic DiFino Corresponding Secretary, and Jim Ventrone Speaker.

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY

To Pfc. James Tortelli and Nick Tortelli, U.S.N., on the death of their mother.

To Cpl. Augustine Viglione and Donald Viglione, S2-c, on the death of their brother Patsy.

GENIUS AT LARGE

Supply Sergeant: "Here, this machine will do half your work for you."

Recruit: "Thanks—may I have two of them?"

THE CLEVELAND SCENE

It's Spring in the old home town, there are even robins hopping around and buds popping out—but, by cracky, the snow just won't melt.----St. John's Canteen was damaged by fire recently, repairs are being made.----The new Crile Hospital for wounded service men was opened in Parma recently.----The Stock Yards on W. 65th St. raged with a terrific fire recently; five fire companies had to be called. Bob Hope, Cleveland's gift to Hollywood, brought his overseas troupe to the Palace for a benefit show for the Stage Door Canteen.----The Metropolitan will return in May to delight Cleveland opera fans with a stirring repertoire.

SOLDIER VISITS NOICATTARO

Through Pvt. Nick Santioemma, many of his friends were able to receive news of their relatives in Noicattaro (Province of Bari), Italy.

Nick spent Christmas there, and was well treated. He especially enjoyed the luxury of sleeping in a real bed. Good wine and fruit were among other things he was lucky to get. Nick starred in the role of Santa Claus by distributing candy to the Italian kiddies in the town square.

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Editorial

TRIBUTE TO OUR HEROES

This is war. It is a stark reality. While the American way of life continues uninterrupted, on far-flung fronts all over the globe men are engaged in mortal combat. Our men, our own boys from the neighborhaad, right now, are struggling and sweating in the heat of battle so that we at home can continue to live in freedom.

This is war. Men are fighting for ideals. The enemy holds on tenaciously to his ignoble ideals, striking terror and death into the ranks of defenseless people. Our men are fighting to free these helpless people, too.

This is war. The men who represent us in battle spread death and havoc among the enemy. However, war isn't all victory. The enemy is fierce and inexhaustive. He battles on. Blood is shed on both sides. Our men cannot always escape the ravages of the enemy. This is what happens in a war.

On the home front the people must learn the seriousness of war. On the home front the people must be brave too. They must show their courage when a misfortune occurs to one of their loved ones. They **MUST** be brave.

S/Sgt. Santosuosso is missing in action. Cpl. Don Brucchieri was wounded in action. Two brave boys. Most of us remember them so well yet. They faced the enemy with courage. They did their part for us. Let their loved ones at home have courage, too. This is their part. Their sacred duty meanwhile, is to pray. Prayer is the only solace. Through prayer there will be hope.

—Editor

Pastor's Message

MY DEAR BOYS

A happy Easter to all of you. Wherever you may be, in India, or China or South Pacific, or Africa, or England, or Italy, or Middle East, my best wishes are for you! We exchange the wishes of the joyful Easter morn' and forget that before that glorious day three years of suffering, a bitter passion and a shameful death of the cross had to precede it. We too are going through a thorny and bloody passion, well deserved for having gone away from Him who is "the road, the truth and the life". But don't worry, my beloved boys; the dawn of peace between mankind and God will come. The day will mark the triumph of charity and truth, justice and peace.

Still out of this war so much good is coming already and much more will be coming. You are the best proof of what I am affirming. Your letters to your families and to me are wonderful expressions of a revitalized faith in God, of love towards Him. You have no idea what surprising life has our Catholic faith in your families. My faith in you, my boys, has been fully justified.

To prove the truthfulness of what I am saying I have printed for you this precious jewel of poetry. It is a poem found on an unknown American soldier in Italy. For years he didn't believe in God; but finally he met Him.

"Look God, I have never spoken to You,
But now I want to say How Do You Do;
You see God, they told me You didn't exist,
And like a fool, I believed all this.

Last night from a shell hole, I saw Your sky,
I figured right then, they had told me a lie;
Had I taken time to see things You made,
I'd have known they weren't calling a spade a spade.

I wonder, God, if You'd shake my hand,
Somehow I feel You will understand;
Funny, I had to come to this hellish place,
Before I had time to see Your Face.

Well, I guess there isn't much more to say.
But I'm sure glad God, I met You today;
I guess the "Zero Hour" will soon be here,
But I'm not afraid, since I know You're near.

The Signal—well God, I'll have to go,
I like You lots, this I want You to know;
Look now, this will be a horrible fight,
Who knows—I may come to Your house tonight.

Though I wasn't friendly to You before,
I wonder God, if You'd wait at Your door;
Look! I'm crying—me, shedding tears!
I wish I had known You these many years.

Well . . . I have to go now God—goodbye!
Strange . . . since I met You—I'm not afraid to die!

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Issue Friday, March 10th, 1944

Happy to say that so far we have no news of any death among you. We have only two missing in action: John Santosuosso and Vito Di Ciolla, both former babies of our school. We hope that they will come out all right.

God bless you and keep you. Smile and be happy.



Roll of Honor



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S-Sgt. Peter Dettorre
Pfc. Sylvester Di Cesare, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Joseph Di Ciolla
Dominic Di Concezio, M.M. 2-c
S-Sgt. Nick Di Gioia
Pfc. Joseph Di Luzio
Pvt. Rocco Di Luzio
Pfc. Sam Di Mauro
Pfc. Joseph De Phillipis
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Ralph Didonna
S/Sgt. G. J. DiCapo
Pvt. Jennie Del Paggio,
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Pvt. Edward Di Fiore
Pvt. Michael Dadante
Pvt. Anthony Dadante
Cpl. Joseph Enia
Pvt. Philip Enia
Pvt. Thomas Enia
Pfc. Emil Faiella
James Farley, U.S.N.
Pvt. Jerry Fatone
T-5 Guido Favograsso
Pvt. Dominic Favorito
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Cpl. Jerry Francescangelo
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Pvt. Joseph Furio
Carl S. Fusco, A.S.

Cpl. Pat Gagliardi
Frank L. Gangale G.M.3-c
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Michael Gallucci, A.S.
Pvt. Raymond Gallucci
Pvt. Louis Galmarino
Sgt. Alfred Gargano
Pvt. Joseph Gargano
Pfc. Carmel Genco
S-Sgt. Salvatore Geraci
Sgt. A. A. Gesualdo
Pvt. Albert Giancaterino
Pfc. Mario Giancaterino
Leonard Giangrande, U.S.N.
Pvt. Peter Gigliotti
A-S James Giovinazzi
Pvt. Armado Girardi
Pfc. Edward Girard
Cpl. Joseph Girard
Pvt. Joseph Girard
Pfc. John Girardi
Cpl. James Girard Jr.
S-Sgt. Michael Girard
Cpl. Rocco Girard
Sgt. Leonard Grabowski
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Pfc. Mickey Gratson
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Pfc. Frank Gallucci

Kenneth Heyer, S 1-c

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Pvt. Joseph Incorvia
Pvt. Daniel Indellicati
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Pvt. Nick Mazzone
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Pvt. Leonard Melillo
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Pvt. Edwin Miller
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Pvt. Mario Molina
Pvt. Enrico Molinari
Gino Monai, F 1-c
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Pvt. Michael Paradise
Pvt. Joseph Paradise
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Henry Paoletta, S2-c
Cpl. Joseph Paoletta
Michael Paoletta, S2-c
Pvt. Leonard Paoletta
Pfc. Nick Paoletta
Pvt. O'Neil Paolucci
Pvt. Silbert Paolucci
Cpl. William Papay
Cpl. Albis Pascal
Pvt. Leo Pascal
Corp. Vito Pascale
Norman Patten
Sgt. Paul Pavi a
Pvt. Egidio Pellegrin, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. John Petrella
Pvt. Richard Petrella
Cpl. John Petric, Jr.
S-Sgt. (Steve) Petruzzi
Pvt. Angelo Pettiti *
Cpl. Peter Pettiti
Michael Pettiti MM2-c
Cpl. Mario Piastrelli
Pvt. Silvio Pinali
Cpl. John Piriggi
Pfc. Frank Pironelli *
Joseph Poalozzi, S 2-c
Cpl. Benny Ponzani
Pvt. Rocco Porcelli *
Joseph Principato, S 2-c
Pvt. Joseph Pavia
Pvt. Frank Petrella
Pvt. Leonard Paradise

Pvt. Augustine Russo
Cpl. Joseph Russo
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Pvt. Michael Reddish	Charles Sanckez SK 3-c	Pfc. Frank Suglio	A-S Augustine Viglione
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Pvt. Angelo Ricciardi	Pfc. John Santosuso	T-Cpl. Curly Scollo	Pvt. John Washelesky
Pfc. Philip Ricciardi	Cpl. Salvatore Saso	Pvt. Michael Schemmenti	Sgt. Patsy Williams
Cpl. John Ripepi	Pvt. Guy Sanvido	Pvt. Sam Taromina	Pvt. Michael Zaccaro
Cpl. Louis Rizzo	Pfc. Sam Scaravelli	Cpl. James Timateo	Pvt. Philip Zaccaro
Pvt. Joseph Romeo	Chester Scarci	A-S Victor Tobacco	Pfc. Anthony Zanzano
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Sgt. Rocco Rutti	Cpl. Louis Sforzo	S 2-c Mario Troncone	
Pvt. Louis Ripepi	Pvt. Carl Scollo	Pvt. Sylvester Trunkett	
A-C Augustine Raineri	Pfc. John Simiele	Louis Tubero	
Pvt. Paul Ricchetti	Cpl. Joseph Spinelli	Pfc. Eli Turchetto	
	Pvt. Mike Spinelli		

V-Mail From Overseas

Dear Staff:

Received the Gazette on the first day of the New Year,, that's starting the year off with a bang. In the Gazette a while back I noticed the Paoletta family has an army of its own. Here's wishing them the best Lady Luck can give.

Cpl. Lee Nicholas (Fiji Isles)

Dear Friends:

I'm somewhere in England now. Having lost my address book on the way over I was wondering how I was going to keep corresponding—but my worries are over, for I've found a few issues of the Gazette and have the addresses that I desire. Boy, I'm sure grateful to the staff. You're doing a swell job.

Pvt. Louis Armagno (England)

Dear Gazetters:

Well, I'm sending another change in address—England. I happened to be home on furlough when Father Gattuso wanted the latest addresses of the boys. I imagine there will be quite a few changes in addresses, a lot of the boys being shipped overseas now. Yesterday I was approached by a fellow who said, "Aren't you from Cleveland?" I looked at him and recognized him to be Al Melillo, brother of Ray, who went to Italy with me in 1935.

Cpl. Lou Lauria (England)

Dear Editor:

Have been receiving your paper regularly and think it serves a very fine purpose. It gives me a lot of pleasure learning the whereabouts of my buddies and acquaintances. Keep up the good work. May Victory be ours soon.

Cpl. Julius Trombetta (Italy)

Dear Staff:

I received your most welcome Gazette and was overjoyed in getting it. It sure makes a fellow feel better reading about his buddies in the service and also the news back home. The Gazette is a real morale builder. The Gazette is even better than the home town paper, I think. You can find out where your buddies are.

Pvt. Gene Francescangelo (England)

IT HAPPENED ONE NIGHT—

When a fellow breaks a date,
He usually has to,
When a girl breaks a date,
She usually has two.

SONG OF THE GUNNERS

(Dedicated to Gunner John Santossuoso)

I wish to be a pilot,
And you along with me.
But if we all were pilots,
Where would the Air Force be?

It takes guts to be a gunner,
To sit out in the tail
When Messerschmitts are coming
And the guns shoot out like hail.

The pilot's just a chauffer,
It's his job to fly the plane.
But it's we who do the fighting
Though we may not get the fame.

But if we all could be gunners,
Then we could meet this bet,
We'd be the rogh-toughest gunners
That ever left the station yet.

HOME TOWN SPORTS CHAT

Well, Yanks, soon the warm weather will be around and we shall be swinging into the usual hopeless wishing that this year the Indians are going to win the pennant. . . About a dozen Redskins showed up for practice at Purdue University . . . Lou Boudreau, manager, has got them practicing bunting . . . Rocco, Peters and Keltner are sure bets in the infield . . . Bagby is planning to enter the Merchant Marine . . . Heath wants to be traded . . . Cullenbine's decided to play until called to service . . . Rosar hasn't made up his mind about playing yet. . .

Hal Trosky has shown up with the White Sox . . . all eyes are on him for his comeback. . .

Jimmy Bivins is in the army now . . . Tommy Bell, Youngstown sensation K. O'd Maxie Berger in 1 round . . . The Barons hockey outfit is having the play-off series with Hersey, while Indianapolis is skating against Buffalo . . .

THE SUNNY SIDE OF LIFE

As the result of a recent ruling, censors of soldier mail will have to refrain, henceforth from making comments like the following:

A New York woman received a letter from "Somewhere Overseas", which closed:

"And I love you, our baby, and the censor."

There was a postscript in the censor's blue-penciled writing:

"Because he loves me, too, I'll tell you he's in India."

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

Captain Frank Centanni is now taking a special course at Fort Benning, Ga.-----Pvt. Peter Alberino is in the Anti-Aircraft Division in Search-light outfit (nicknamed "Moonlight Cavalry") at Fort Ord, Calif.-----In the Bakery Co. at Camp Forrest, Tenn. is S/Sgt. John Petric.-----Louis Mazzone A. S. met his relatives at Casamassima (Italy)-----In the Infantry Battalion — training men at Camp Blanding, Fla., is Cpl. Domenic Violini.-----At the Santa Maria Army Air Base, Calif., repairing radios on P-38's is Cpl. Thomas Guzzo.

Thanx to Pvt. Joseph DePhillips for sending us the "Yank" and "The 957 News" all the way from Hawaii — they're really interesting papers.-----Leonard Giangrande S-1/c is in Bari — and Vito Amato S-1c is in New Guinea.-----Sgt. Sam Bonfiglio, S-Sgt. Vito DeBellis, Cpl. Mario Palange, and Pvt. Phillip Enia (Anti-Aircraft Div.), are all somewhere overseas.-----Somewhere in the South Pacific is Cpl. Roxie Girard.-----Pfc. Basil Imbrugia, Pvt. Gino Francesangelo, and Pfc. Mario Grassi, are all in England.-----Making in North Africa is Pfc. Mike Anguilano.-----While "Murphy" Schemmenti is looking over Hawaii.

Working in the Personnel office at Camp Forrest, Tenn., is Pvt. Eurico Molinari.-----Pvt. Mike Cappella is a Quartermaster at Camp Pickett, Va.-----In the Paratrooper Training Regiment at Ft. Benning, Ga., is Pvt. David Imbrugia.-----Pfc. Dante Cortelezzi is in the Ordnance Co., in Seattle, Wash. while his brother Enrico, S-2c is stationed at San Diego, Calif.-----At Newport, R. I., is Paul Ricchetti, IM-3c.-----Sgt. Nick Sanitato is working at the famous Mayo Hospital in Galesburg, Ill.-----In the Technical School squad at Keesler Field, Miss., is Cpl. Jerry Francesangelo.-----We wish Sgt. Tony Casella a speedy recovery. Tony's in the hospital at Camp Polk, La.-----Just graduating from Aerial Gunnery School in Las Vegas, Nev., was Pfc. Rudy Bergantino. Rudy's now assigned to the Third Air Force at Tampa, Fla.-----Somewhere in England are Pfc. Alfred Melillo, Pvt. Paul Rubino, and Cpl. Dante Palange.-----Pvt. Joe L. Indellicati is way out at Aloe Field, Victoria, Texas.-----At Great Lakes, Ill., is Carl S. Fusco, A.S.-----At Camp Cutner, N. C., is Pfc. Carl Ricchetti in the Lightning Division.

Congratulations to Lt. Frank Felleppelle, who is now full-fledged pilot in the Army Air Corps, and mighty proud of his wings.-----Somewhere in N. Africa is John "Midge" Ciliberto. AMM-3c. Midge has also visited Casablanca, and "Rock of Gibraltar". We hope he has fully recuperated from that accident to his ear.-----In Guadalcanal is Cpl. Eddie Paoletta, working in a Captain's office. Eddie has organized a little band, and continues to play the drums, as he did in civilian life.-----A letter was received from Pvt. Roland Marconi's mother from the Chaplain of his company, informing her about Roland, and that he was glad to be assigned to such a fine group. Roland is somewhere in Italy.-----Pfc. John Suglio is a Jeep driver at Ft. Jackson, S. C.-----At Ft. Belvoir, Va., in the Engineer Corps the Army Service Forces is Pvt. Nick Schmitz.

Sgt. Louis Sforza met S-Sgt. Steve Peruzzi in England, and surprisingly enough, so did Cpl. Louis Lauria and Pfc. Melillo met there. And that's not all—two old buddies who bumped into each other in England were Cpl. Joe Girardi and Cpl. Peter Petitti.-----Sgt. Sam D'Angelo is stationed there.-----Right in the thick of it in Italy are Raymond Melillo and Pvt. Alfonse Ciccone. Incidentally, when "Fonsie" Ciccone was in England, he saw Queen.

Here's something amusing — Cpl. Loreto Cianfarani's nickname in the Army is "O'Toole." Reason: the fellows can't pronounce his last name. Loreto's in charge of Fuel Section at Camp Campbell, Ky.-----Also stationed at Camp Campbell, is Pfc. John Girardi (Armored Artillery). Both fellows have been together ever since their induction.-----Somewhere in the South Pacific is Pvt. Tony Anguilano, U.S.M.C. Tony's an Aerial Gunner, and enjoys the life.-----Pvt. Mario Giancaterino is at Camp Ellis, Ill., in the Engineers outfit.-----Pvt. Albert Ricchetti visited Honolulu on his pass, and says he had one swell time. What got us was that he told us to keep our chin up—when we're the ones who should be taking care of that department.-----Edmund D'Auito, S.K. 2c at Alameda, Calif., writes that Gig Young (the movie actor) is in his outfit, and is a grand guy to pal around with. Mrs. D'Auito received an autographed photo from Mr. Young.

Here's something unusual: Cpl. Julius Trombetta and his brother-in-law Pfc. Chester Scarci discovered they were stationed only a few miles from each other — somewhere in Italy.-----Pvt. Augustine Russo is in the Aleutian Islands in the Ordnance Co.-----Pvt. Louis Armagno is also in England, and really likes his latest camp "they even have running water here — nice" he writes.

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT:

Making the most of their furlough were: Edmund D'Auito, SK2c, Pvt. Imbrugia, Pfc. Anthony Ducato, Pvt. Peter Alberino, Cpl. James Girard, Pvt. Enrico Molinari, Pfc. Rudolph Bergantino, Sgt. Joseph Russo, Sgt. Carl Principe, Joseph Poalozzi, S2c, Cpl. Domenic Violini, Cpl. Thomas Guzzo, Cpl. Loreto Cianfarani, Pfc. John Girardi, Sgt. Emil Paoletta, Mike Paoletta, S1c, Pvt. Joseph Cellura, Pvt. Anthony D'Ambrosio, Pvt. Nick Schmitz, Pfc. John Suglio, Pfc. Vito Anelli, Sgt. Nick Sanitato, Cpl. Michael Riccardi, Pfc. Sylvester DiCesae, U.S.M.C., Cpl. Augie Viglione, Cpl. James DeTardo, and 1-Sgt. V. Marion Balzare, WAC.

Home on a 15 day furlough, and just back from overseas — was Sgt. Carl Principe. Carl's an Aircrew Radio Operator, and has seen plenty of action. He's been in the Army 42 months.

Mr. John Indellicati was fortunate in being able to see his son Armand — in New York, before he was shipped out.-----And Mrs. Mario Palange also saw her husband in New York—before he was sent out.

Sgt. Joe Russo and Cpl. James Girard were both home on furlough together. They've been together since their induction, in the same outfit and all, and are now stationed at Ft. Jackson, S. C. Joe's a Radio Operator, and James is an Armored Car driver — both in Calvary Troop.

Congrate. to Cpl. Benny Porzani and his wife Florence (Armagno) on the birth of a daughter.

Mrs. Ada (Ciccone) DeSalvo, and Mrs. Blanche (Howitt) Schemment have just returned from a long visit with their respective husbands who are both stationed at Camp Elliott, San Diego, Calif.

Thanx to Pvt. Louis Armagno, Pfc. Anthony Ducato, Pvt. Nick Schmitz, Pvt. Vito Brucchieri, Pvt. Tony Anguilano, S-Sgt. Mike Altier, Pvt. Leo Pascal, Pvt. Albert Ricchetti, Cpl. Louis Lauria, Cpl. Lee Nicholas, Pvt. Mario Giancaterino, Pvt. Augustine Russo, Pvt. Gene Francesangelo, Cpl. Julius Trombetta, Sgt. Sam D'Angelo and Pvt. Armand Girardi for their kind letters of appreciation to us. It sure makes us feel good.

—Marie Manfredi

FOUND — IN A BARBER SHOP!



(The above picture shows cousins Cpl. Joseph Enia, left, and Cpl. Don Brucchieri, right, reunited in Italy.)

Back in Cleveland Cpl. Don Brucchieri and Cpl. Joseph Enia, cousins, were buddies and rarely had difficulty in finding one another. But the war came along and they were separated and began moving all over the hemisphere. Joe got to be a cook with the Ordnance Aviation Quartermasters and Don landed in an anti-aircraft outfit. The cousins corresponded with each other, and even when they were shipped overseas, by their letters they knew they were near one another. They searched for one another all through Africa, then Sicily and finally Italy. They always seemed to miss each other.

Somewhere in southern Italy one day, Don was getting a haircut. As he was sitting in the barber's chair, his cousin Joe walked in and greeted everyone aloud. As soon as Don heard the familiar voice, he snatched the towel off and whipped around and out of the chair and the two cousins and buddies were at last re-united, and of all places, in a barber shop.

They both received a furlough and spent a day together. Cpl. Joe, being a cook, treated Don royally, but Cpl. Don was terribly sorry that he couldn't reciprocate.

WRITE TO YOUR BUDDIES!

Pvt. Louis Armagno, 35529756
1st Bomb Div. Hqs. & Hqs. Sqd.
A. P. O. 634, c/o P. M., N. Y., N. Y.

Pvt. Tony Anguilano, U.S.M.C.
Marine Aircraft, South Pacific
Flight Echelon, c/o F. P. O.
San Francisco, Calif.

Pvt. Augustine Russo, 35525514
251st Ordnance Co. (MM)
A. P. O. 730 c/o P. M. Seattle, Wash.

LATEST NEWS

As we were going to press, news reached us that Cpl. Don Brucchieri, whose story is printed in the opposite column, has been wounded in the fighting in Italy.

We wish Don the swiftest recovery possible. We cannot realize fully the courage he must have had to meet the enemy in mortal combat. The wounds he has endured for all of us back home will be long remembered.

Cpl. Don Brucchieri has done his part for his country! May he soon be well again!

STREET CAR RIDE

It was quite late on a typical Saturday night in Cleveland. I tried to make that late street car coming around the bend at the Square (of course, everyone rides the street cars nowadays). At a 4-40 pace, I reached the contraption, (and this opinion is shared by 95% of the street car riders—the remaining 5%, the street car officials, hold a much different one). The gracious (?) motor-woman opened the doors. Huffing and puffing, I boarded "it" and as usual, "standing-room only."

Well, lo and behold, there before my eyes were two Naval Officers—also standing. By a quick inventory of the occupants of the street car I found that they were beholding the same sight. (I am referring to the women, of course!) Was it better to ignore their glances this time I mean the officers) and retain my dignity or was it better to take up a friendly conversation and make interesting the dull ride? This decision was influenced by the threatening looks from several dateless females. So, I went to the back of the car, mulling a good chance.

But, contrary to fact, this did not prove uninteresting. There in one of the double seats was the queerest-looking old gentleman (?). Sad to relate sitting beside him was the nicest sixteen year old boy you ever want to lay eyes on. (The're either too young or too old.) Sad, because embarrassing. The old man with a cane in his hand, pounding it on the floor, was relating an experience to the youth, who didn't know him from Adam. Reaching his stop, as he was leaving the car, the youth passed a remark to me concerning his embarrassment. Consequently, his leaving made a vacant seat next to the old gentleman (?). I preferred standing rather than being subjected to an embarrassing conversation with him. I gazed out the window for an excuse not to take the vacant seat, because I was the only one standing. After a few moments of bewilderment to adjust my reflexes I glanced to my right. There, sure enough, was that cane pounding me on the arm, indicating that I should sit down next to him. As politely as I could deal with old age, I informed him that I preferred standing. He took this with a grunt. As another seat was made vacant, I snatched it quickly. By this time I was disgusted with the ride. With a thug and a bump my stop came. I descended from the "contraption" and plodded my way homeward.

There, boys, see all the interesting things that still can happen on a Saturday night in Cleveland? Who's kidding!! Oh, well, we can hope for a decent post-war world!??!

—Dora Casino

TIP\$ TO SAILOR\$

Dear Pop\$:

Gue\$\$ what I need mo\$t? That\$ right. Plea\$e \$end it a\$ \$oon a\$ po\$\$ible. Be\$t wi\$he\$.

Your \$ailor \$on, \$am.

LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME



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"That Their Nation Might Live . . ."

So that we at home could continue to live in freedom four boys of our community faced the enemy in mortal combat. News has reached us that they are missing in action.

Our boys went into battle with courage, and with an indomitable spirit of sacrifice for their country and their loved ones.

For these boys there is hope. There is great hope. They may be either prisoners or safe in a remote place. To their loved ones we can only say: May your period of waiting be short.

—Editor and Staff

News has reached Mr. and Mrs. Alex Anguilano of 3320 Paris Ct. that their son, Pfc. Peter Anguilano, is missing in action. This news came on March 16, 1944, when they had not heard from him since February 8, 1944. Pete was fighting on the Italian front as an infantryman. The War Department notified the parents that their son probably was a prisoner.

Pete, 23, attended St. Rocco's and West Tech High School and was employed by Warner and Swasey Co.

In the Service since May 1943, he was trained at Camp Shelby, Miss., and Ft. Meade, Md.

Private Anthony, a brother, is in the South Pacific with the Marines, and Private Michael, another brother, is in the Medical Corps in England. Pete's three sisters are Rose, Mary and Carmella.

The Government has notified Mrs. Lewis Sanders, 3241 Fulton Road, that her brother, Pfc. Vito Diciolla, has been missing in action since Feb. 19 in Italy.

Pfc. Vito, 23, wrote home last on Feb. 4 saying that he was very busy. He has been overseas with his infantry detachment since last October, having enlisted in April, 1943.

He worked at the Aluminum Company of America before entering the Service and had attended Lincoln High School. Vito has a brother, Alfonso, and three sisters, Connie, Rose, and Emily.

Word has reached us that Pfc. Vito Diciolla is safe and a prisoner of Germany.



Pfc. Anguilano



Pfc. Diciolla

Official word has reached the wife of T/Sgt. Dominic Colino, that he has been missing in action since April 12, 1944. The last letter received from him was dated April 11. "George", as he was known to everybody, is 23 and is the only son of Mrs. Gemma Colino.

Gunner and radioman with the 15th Air Force based in Italy, he was on a mission over Austria when he was reported lost. George entered the Service in October, 1942. He has been home on furlough once, an emergency for the funeral of his father who died on Dec. 8, 1943. A few days later George left for overseas duty.

George is married to the former Margaret Dougan and they have a two-year old daughter named Sherry. Sgt. Colino is a graduate of St. Rocco's and West Tech and was employed at the Grasselli Chemical Co. His four sisters are Mary, Carrie, Jennie and Connie.



Sgt. Colino

SANTOSUOSSO IS PRISONER

S/Sgt. John Santosuosso, 21, who had been reported missing in action in the European area since Feb. 11 is a German war prisoner. From a German prison camp he wrote recently to his anxious parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Santosuosso: "I am being treated well. Don't worry."

Aerial gunner on a Flying Fortress, Sgt. John enlisted in November, 1942 and went overseas in November, 1943, and had been stationed at a base in England.



Sgt. Santosuosso

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Editorial

DUTY AND PRIVILEGE

All Ohio Service Men will be qualified to receive a ballot for the November general election, the State Legislature ruled recently.

This means, boys, that you can vote! It's time now to start thinking of the elections and the candidates you will vote for. The persons you elect will be held responsible for the crucial years ahead. But the people's destiny lies in the hands of the voters, in their own hands — in other words, it's up to you. You are in the service of Uncle Sam in order to safeguard the voting privilege. It's everyone's duty to exercise this privilege.

Applications for ballots may be made by you directly to the County Board of Elections or for you by a relative. Mailing of ballots will begin on August 9 and continue to November 4. Go to it, fellows.

ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

The Gazette Staff has no intention whatsoever of slighting anyone as to news regarding our Service Men. We have continually repeated that we welcome all news from the boys and their families.

Again we are announcing that Service Men and their relatives can write to 3156 Fulton or phone WO. 8351 concerning any furlough, promotion or camp news in the states or overseas.

Also please notify us without fail of any change in address. We must have the addresses in order to assure the mailing and receiving of the We hope for everybody's cooperation! Gazette.

—Editor

Pastor's Message

MY DEAR BOYS:

As you can see from the honor roll of this issue of our Gazette the list of young men from our parish has increased to a very large extent. And please remember that this list does not include the names of the mission church of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Arrangements are being made to have these names printed in later issues. The average is one soldier for each two families.

The editor of the Gazette mentions only one of the four missing boys as a former pupil of our St. Rocco's school. No, siree: they are all former babies of our school. We hope that news may be received from the other three as we have had them from our John Santosuosso.

How is good old St. Rocco's parish going? Very nicely and be sure that ours is a very healthy and growing parish. The number of marriages and baptisms is far better than last year, regardless of the war headaches. You cannot stop life and in our parish there is plenty of it. Of course there is, will, and lot more when you come back.

Easter was splendid, in every way, this year. Rain (it's St. Rocco weather, you know it) spoiled our Good Friday procession which otherwise would have been the best ever held. Fathers McCue of John Carroll University and McBride from St. Ignatius High preached for nine Sundays and Wednesdays before Easter Sunday. They did a splendid work. Our Easter collection was very good: \$2414.76. How much different from 1924 when I had less than \$200.00.

By the way: thanks to all of you boys in the armed forces who are so thoughtful to send either monthly collection, or Easter collection, or donations for the new church; all this is splendid. Our new church fund is growing, rather slow, but is growing. Some time I cannot understand why people are so slow and so tight when it comes to giving for what is theirs. Speaking of new church etc., I hope to give some good news next time.

Mothers' Day went along nicely this year. Mamas received letters and cards and flowers and candies from their far away sons; tears flowed abundantly from their eyes; God bless our mamas; they are wonderful!

I asked some time ago pictures of every one of you babies in the armed forces. Some answered and I wish to thank them. What about the rest of you boys? I wish to make an album to be kept in the archives of the parish. It will be of interest for the same purpose as anything you may send from so many and far distant lands. I am making quite a collection of coins and currencies from many places.

To Joe De Phillips: You look splendid in your photograph. Wherever you are the climate must agree with you. Congratulations to you, Roxie Girard, for the good humor you have acquired. The hula girl skirt you wear in the photograph you sent fits you nicely; I hope that some of the boys don't make some mistake.

To all of you, my boys: Wherever you are, wherever you may go, God bless you and be with you. Don't worry and be happy. Your mamas pray, we pray, our school children pray, our sisters pray, Masses are being said for your safety. So far **not one**, notwithstanding the rather large number of you in fighting zones, has been killed. One of the missing boys, after alighting as a prisoner in Germany, wrote to his mom: You will never understand how much your prayers helped me. I will tell you when I will be back on Fulton Rd. Yes, Johnny; mama understands perfectly and be sure that she prays more than ever.

Roll of Honor

Pvt. Anthony Acquaviva
Pvt. Peter Alberino
Pvt. John Alberino
Pvt. Rocco Alberino, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Michael Almasy F 2-c
Pvt. Sgt. Michael Altier
Pvt. Anthony Amaddio
Pvt. August Amaroso
Pvt. Amato, S1-c
Pvt. Louis Anelli
Pvt. Vito Anelli
Pvt. Anthony Anguilano, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Michael Anguilano
Pvt. Michael Anguilano
Pvt. Peter Anguilano
Pvt. S Sam Anguilano
Pvt. Michael Antonelli
Pvt. Sgt. Frank Antonucci
Pvt. F. Anzalone
Pvt. Vito Ardito *
Pvt. Louis Armagno
Pvt. Louis Armagno, S1-c
Pvt. Robert Artwell
Pvt. Sam Aversano

Cpl. Lawrence Bailer*
Pvt. Concetto Balbo
Pvt. S Thomas Balbo
Pvt. Louis Ballachino
Pvt. Sgt. Marion Ballare, WAC
Pvt. Joseph Bartolozzi
Pvt. Fred Battaglia
Pvt. Raymond Battaglia
Pvt. Tony Battista *
Pvt. Dante Bellini
Pvt. Roy Bellini, P.H.M. 3-c
Pvt. Rudolph Bergantino
Pvt. Eugene Bettinezza
Pvt. Angelo A. Bocchini, U.S.N.
Pvt. Sam Bonfiglio
Pvt. Charles Bontempo, S3-c
Pvt. m Boscarello, U.S.N.
Pvt. Anthony Brandolino
Pvt. Livio Briancesco
Pvt. Rino Briancesco
Pvt. Sam Brooks
Pvt. John Brucchieri, SK 3c
Pvt. Ulderico Brucchieri
Pvt. Vito M. Brucchieri
Pvt. Albert Bruno
Pvt. Anthony Bruno
Pvt. Herman Bruno
Pvt. John Buo

Pvt. Sam Calandra
Pvt. Joseph Camerata
Pvt. Joseph Camerato
Pvt. Blase Camerato
Pvt. Theresa Camerato, WAC
Pvt. Leonard Camerato
Pvt. Dominic Camilli
Pvt. Charles Candela
Pvt. William Cannato
Pvt. Angelo Caporaso
Pvt. James J. Cappellia
Pvt. Michael Cappelli
Pvt. Frank Caruso *
Pvt. Joseph Caruso
Pvt. Anthony Casella
Pvt. Idalo Casino
Pvt. Sgt. Pat Caso
Pvt. Joseph Cellura
Pvt. John Cellura
Pvt. Frank Centanni
Pvt. Loretto Cianfarani
Pvt. Alphonse Ciccone
Pvt. Peter Ciccone
Pvt. Frank Ciccotosto *
Pvt. Joseph Ciccotosto
Pvt. Edmund Cifani
Pvt. Ciliberto A. MM3c
Pvt. Patsy Ciliberto
Pvt. Felix Ciocca

Sgt. Louis Ciocca
Pvt. Rocco Ciocca
Pvt. Ivo Cioletti
Pvt. Sgt. Ugo Cioletti
Pvt. Frank Cocchiarella, ANM2-c
Pvt. Augustine Cola
Pvt. Guido Cola
Pvt. Vincent Cipriani

Sgt. Dominic Colino
Pvt. Robert Collins
Pvt. Vito Colonna, S 1-c
Pvt. Sgt. Angelo Comodeco
Pvt. John Camodeco, F 1-c
Pvt. S-Sgt. Lawrence Camodeco
Pvt. Frank Cordisco
Pvt. Pat Cordisco
Pvt. Santon Cortese*
Pvt. Dante Cortelezzi
Pvt. Eurico Cortelezzi, S2c
Pvt. Cpl. Edward Cotter
Pvt. John Cuculino
Pvt. Mario Cuffari
Pvt. Cpl. Ross Cuffari
Pvt. Cpl. Albert Cozzarin
Pvt. Cadet Gerard Cozzarin
Pvt. Sam Caniello
Pvt. Capt. Dominic Caravona, M.D.
Pvt. Cpl. Joseph Coniglio
Pvt. Gino Cioletti S. C. 3-c
Pvt. George Caso, F. C.
Pvt. Charles Canepa, U.S.N.
Pvt. Vincent Cristantiello, U.S.N.

Pvt. Donald D'Aiuto, S3-c
Pvt. Capt. Art D'Alessandro
Pvt. Edward D'Alessandro
Pvt. Albert D'Ambrosio
Pvt. D. Deacon, M.M.2-c
Pvt. William De Florio
Pvt. Rocco DeLuca
Pvt. Victor J. Di Angelo, S2-c
Pvt. Edmund D'Aiuto SK 2-c, U.S.C.G.
Pvt. Anthony D'Ambrosio
Pvt. Sgt. Aug. D'Ambrosio U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Pfc. Peter D'Annibale, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Peter D'Ambrosio
Pvt. Sgt. Alfred Dadante
Pvt. Victor Dadante *
Pvt. Cpl. Michael Dadante
Pvt. Pfc. Anthony Dadante
Pvt. John Daniele
Pvt. Patsy De Angelo
Pvt. Sgt. Sam De Angelo
Pvt. Pfc. Frank De Bellis
Pvt. Salvatore De Bellis S 1-c
Pvt. S-Sgt. Vito De Bellis
Pvt. Cpl. Michael De Girolamo
Pvt. Pfc. Pierre De Girolamo
Pvt. Leon De Intinnis
Pvt. Phillip Delfino, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Rosario Delfino
Pvt. Cpl. Nick Delia
Pvt. James Del Monte
Pvt. Harry De Marco
Pvt. Louis De Marco
Pvt. Pfc. Anthony Del Paggio
Pvt. Pfc. Joseph De Phillipis
Pvt. Pfc. Jennie Del Paggio, USMCWR
Pvt. Cpl. Ezio De Piero
Pvt. Thomas De Tardo *
Pvt. Cpl. James De Tardo
Pvt. Pfc. Joseph Dettore, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. S-Sgt. Peter Dettore
Pvt. Pfc. Sylvester Di Cesare, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Joseph Di Ciolla
Pvt. Dominic Di Concezio, M.M. 2-c
Pvt. Ralph Didonna
Pvt. S-Sgt. Nick Di Gioia
Pvt. Pfc. Joseph Di Luzio
Pvt. Rocco Di Luzio

* Honorable Discharge

Pvt. Pfc. Sam Di Mauro
Pvt. Pfc. Anthony Ducato
Pvt. Pfc. Sam Durante
Pvt. S /Sgt. G. J. DiCapo
Pvt. Cpl. James Di Capo
Pvt. Edward Di Fiore
Pvt. Pfc. Ignatius Di Salvo

Pvt. Cpl. Joseph Enia
Pvt. Philip Enia
Pvt. Thomas Enia

Pvt. Joseph Fabri
Pvt. Cpl. Emil Faiella
Pvt. James Farley, S 1-c
Pvt. Jerry Fatone
Pvt. Peter Favino
Pvt. T-5 Guido Favograsso
Pvt. Dominic Favorito
Pvt. Sgt. Anthony Ferretti, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Cpl. Peter Ferretti
Pvt. Pfc. Henry Ferrini
Pvt. Paul M. Finelli, S.M 3-c
Pvt. Americo Fior
Pvt. Edward Floro, MUS2-c
Pvt. Mario Floro, U.S.C.G.
Pvt. Pfc. Gene Francescangelo
Pvt. Cpl. Jerry Francescangelo
Pvt. Alphonse Fusco
Pvt. Joseph Furio
Pvt. Carl S. Fusco, H. A. 2-c

Pvt. Cpl. Pat Gagliardi
Pvt. Frank L. Gangale C.M.3-c
Pvt. Pfc. Sam Galiota *
Pvt. Pfc. Frank Gallo, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Michael Gallucci, S1-c
Pvt. Raymond Gallucci *
Pvt. Louis Galmarino
Pvt. Louis Gangale
Pvt. Sgt. Alfred Gargano
Pvt. Joseph Gargano
Pvt. Pfc. Carmel Genco
Pvt. S-Sgt. Salvatore Geraci
Pvt. Sgt. A. A. Gesualdo
Pvt. Albert Giancaterino
Pvt. Pfc. Mario Giancaterino
Pvt. Leonard Giangrande, S1-c
Pvt. Peter Gigliotti
Pvt. Victor Gigliotti
Pvt. A-S James Giovinazzi
Pvt. Armado Girardi
Pvt. Pfc. Edward Girard
Pvt. Cpl. Joseph Girard
Pvt. Joseph Girard
Pvt. John Girardi
Pvt. Cpl. James Girard Jr.
Pvt. S-Sgt. Michael Girard
Pvt. Cpl. Rocco Girard
Pvt. Pfc. Ruddy Gori
Pvt. Sgt. Leonard Grabowski
Pvt. Pfc. Mario Grassi
Pvt. Tullio Grassi
Pvt. Joseph Grassi
Pvt. Pfc. Mickey Gratson
Pvt. Cpl. Albert Gregorio
Pvt. Robert Gubana, F1-c
Pvt. Pfc. Robert Guerci
Pvt. T-5 John Gullo
Pvt. Cpl. Ray Gullo
Pvt. Joseph Gullo U.S.N.
Pvt. Eugene Gulotta
Pvt. Cpl. Ferdinand Guzzo *
Pvt. Cpl. Gaetano Guzzo
Pvt. Pfc. Frank Gallucci

Pvt. Kenneth Heyer, M3-c

Pvt. Pfc. Basil Imburgia
Pvt. David A. Imburgia
Pvt. Joseph Incorvia
Pvt. Daniel Indelicati

** Deceased

Pvt. Joseph Indelicati

Pvt. William Keckan, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Sgt. Edward Kelley
Pvt. Sam Krsulovic
Pvt. Thomas Kuhar

Pvt. Cpl. Fred LaRocca
Pvt. Pfc. Epifanio LaRocca
Pvt. Pfc. Thomas LaRocca
Pvt. Sgt. Paul LaRocca
Pvt. Cpl. John La Russa
Pvt. Dante Laudi
Pvt. Cpl. Louis Lauria
Pvt. Leonard Leone, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Maj. John Leacacos
Pvt. Pfc. Arthur Lettiere
Pvt. Cpl. John Lioce
Pvt. August Lisi, S2-c
Pvt. Sgt. Tony Lonero
Pvt. Cpl. Andrew Lonero
Pvt. Sgt. Frank Lonero
Pvt. Vincent Lucarino

Pvt. Vincent Mancuso, S2-c
Pvt. James Mangano
Pvt. Pfc. Floyd J. Marano
Pvt. S 2-c Albert Marano
Pvt. Angelo Martin
Pvt. Joseph Martin
Pvt. Sgt. Casper Marconi
Pvt. Cpl. Roland Marconi
Pvt. Peter Mazzeo
Pvt. S-Sgt. Angelo Mazzone
Pvt. Carl Mazzone
Pvt. Louis Mazzone, SPX3-c
Pvt. Cpl. Nick Mazzone
Pvt. Sgt. Peter Mazzone
Pvt. Frank Mazzulo, S1-c
Pvt. Cpl. Michael Melfi, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Pfc. Alfred Melillo
Pvt. Pfc. James Melillo
Pvt. Leonard Melillo
Pvt. Pfc. Raymond Melillo
Pvt. Patsy Mercurio
Pvt. Joseph Messuri
Pvt. 2nd Lieut. John Messuri
Pvt. Edwin Miller
Pvt. George Minello, U.S.N.
Pvt. John Minello
Pvt. Daniel Miranda
Pvt. Cpl. Aldo Molina
Pvt. 2nd Lieut. Jack Molina
Pvt. Mario Molina
Pvt. Cpl. Enrico Molinari
Pvt. Gino Monai, F 1-c
Pvt. John Monteleone
Pvt. Anth. Monte, A.M.M.I. 2-c
Pvt. Anthony Morelli
Pvt. Cpl. Aldo Moretti
Pvt. Pfc. Lino Moro

Pvt. Anthony Negro, TM3-c
Pvt. Corp. Lee Nicolas

Pvt. Lawrence Oberti
Pvt. Pfc. Elmer O'Neil, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Lieut. James O'Reilly

Pvt. Cpl. Dante Palange
Pvt. Cpl. Mario Palange
Pvt. A.C. Dominic Palumbo
Pvt. Fred Palumbo
Pvt. Cpl. Edward Paoletta
Pvt. Leonard Paradise
Pvt. Michael Paradise
Pvt. Joseph Paradise
Pvt. Sgt. Emil Paoletta
Pvt. Henry Paoletta, S2-c
Pvt. Sgt. Joseph Paoletta
Pvt. Michael Paoletta, S2-c
Pvt. Leonard Paoletta
Pvt. Pfc. Nick Paoletta
Pvt. Pfc. O'Neil Paolucci
Pvt. Silbert Paolucci

Cpl. William Papay
Cpl. Albis Pascal
Pvt. Leo Pascal
Corp. Vito Pascale
Norman Patten
Sgt. Paul Pavia
Pvt. Joseph Pavia
Pvt. Egidio Pellegrin, U.S.M.C.
Rudolph E. Perotti, S2-c
Pvt. John Petrella
Pvt. Richard Petrella
Pvt. Frank Petrella
S-Sgt. John Petric, Jr.
T-Sgt. Steve Petruzzi
Pvt. Angelo Pettiti *
T-5 Peter Pettiti
Michael Pettiti MM2-c
Cpl. Mario Piastrelli
Pvt. Silvio Pinali
Cpl. John Piriggi
Pfc. Frank Pironelli *
Joseph Poalozzi, S 2-c
Albert V. Pompei, S2-c
Cpl. Benny Ponzani
Pvt. Rocco Porcelli *
Joseph Principato, S 2-c
T-Sgt. Carl Principe
Pvt. Paul Puleo
Sgt. Ralph Puntel

Sgt. Dominic Ragon
A-C Augustine Raineri
Michael Ramunni, F 1-c
Pvt. Michael Reddish

Cpl. Michael Riccardi
Pvt. Albert Ricchetti
Pvt. Paul Ricchetti
Pfc. Carl Ricchetti
Paul A. Ricchetti, MM3-c
Cpl. Angelo Ricciardi
Pfc. Philip Ricciardi
H. Riccardi M.M.3-c
Cpl. John Ripepi
Pvt. Louis Ripepi
Cpl. Louis Rizzo
Sgt. Carl Rodano
Pvt. Louis Rodano
Pvt. Joseph Romeo
Pvt. Raymond Ronzato
Pvt. Paul Rubino
Louis Rubio, MoMM3-c
Sgt. Joseph Russo
Pvt. Augustine Russo
S-Sgt. James Rutti
Pfc. James Rutti, Jr.
Sgt. Rocco Rutti

Pvt. Anthony Salvatore
Henry Sabatis, S 2-c
Romeo Sabatis, S 2-c
Cpl. Frank Saccone
Charles Sanchez SK 3-c
Sgt. Nick Sanitato
Pvt. Philip Santamaria
Cpl. Louis Sanders
Pvt. Nick Santioemma
S/Sgt. Jon Santosuosso
Pvt. Guy Sanvido

Cpl. Salvatore Saso
Pvt. Joseph Scalia, U.S.M.C.
Pfc. Sam Scaravelli
Chester Scarci
Pvt. Frank Scarpelli
Pvt. John Scarpelli
Pvt. Michael Scarpelli
Victor Scarpelli S1c
Victor Scarpelli, S3-c
Gandolfo Schemmenti, M.M. 2-c
Sgt. Joseph Schemmenti, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Michael Schemmenti
Pvt. Nicholas Schmitz
Pvt. Carl Scollo
T-Cpl. Curly Scollo
Carl Scollo, SC2-c
Mike Seaman, S3-c
Cpl. Louis Sforzo
Pfc. John Simiele
Cpl. Joseph Spinelli
Pvt. Mike Spinelli
Pvt. Carmen Stavole
Pvt. Frank Stella
Anthony Strizzi, M.S. 2-c
Sgt. Frank Suglio
Pvt. John Suglio

Cpl. Sam Taromina
Sgt. James Timateo
Sgt. Victor Tobacco
Pvt. Guilo Tofanetti
Pvt. Orlando Tonti
Pfc. James Tortelli
Nick Tortelli, F2-c

Pvt. Albert Toscano
Pvt. Joseph Toscano
Pvt. Elio Toscano
Cpl. Julius Trombetta
S1-c Mario Troncone
Pfc. Sylvester Trunkett
Louis Tubero PhM. 2-c
Pfc. Eli Turchetto

Pfc. Adelbert Vellone
Cpl. Augustine Viglione
Donald Viglione, S2-c
Cpl. Dominic P. Violini
John Violini, U.S.N.
Cpl. Mark Vulpio

Pvt. John Washelesky
Sgt. Patsy Williams **

Pvt. Michael Zaccaro
Pvt. Philip Zaccaro
Sgt. Anthony Zanzano
Pvt. Joseph Zannoni, Air Corps
Eddy Zatter, U.S.N. *
Pvt. Secondino Zazzaro
Pvt. Joseph Zazzaro
S-Sgt. Michael Zona

MAIL FROM THE BOYS

Dear Editorial Staff:

At last the Gazette has caught up with me and it was more than welcome. Up here where news from home is very, very scarce a guy couldn't want or get any better news of his buddies than he gets out of the Gazette. I just can't express the happiness I get out of reading it.

Pvt. Albert Toscano, Iceland.

Dear Editor:

I want to express my thanks on the wonderful job that you are doing. I am hoping to go to Aerial Photographers school in Pensacola, Fla. The California climate suits me fine. I met my cousin Albert Ricchetti and brother-in-law Tony out here. Well, I'm at the bottom of my V-Mail. Good Luck.

Henry Paoletta, U.S.N., California

Hiya Gang!

Dropping you a line letting you know your latest issues were swell. To me the Gazette is the next best thing to a furlough. It really makes you feel you were back in good old Cleveland. It's typical palm beach weather up here. Keep up your good work—Mike, Marie, Dora, Florence, Lucy and Lola!

Sgt. Joseph Russo, Fort Jackson, S. C.

Dear Gazetters:

Very glad to hear from the folks at home—through the Gazette. I was in a battle and sent to a hospital. The first time I got your Gazette I was in my fox hole and was very happy.

Pvt. F. T. Anzalone, North Africa

TO MY NICK

I lie awake and wonder why
Loved ones are torn in two,
I'm filled with sorrow, can't cry
But lie awake and think of you.
I long for the beautiful glorious day
When we two can laugh and smile,
When I know you'll be home—to stay,
I long for that last homeward mile.
I dream of pleasant things to come,
A happy life overflowing with love
A family dear with joy and fun,
I dream of heavenly things above.
I hope for a day of peace and beauty,
Of people born with love in their heart;
Of righteous living, of Christian duty,
I hope soon we can all take part.
My longings, dear, hopes and dreams,
Are all composed of you,
My life would be complete, it seems,
If we could be together again, we two.
—Your wife, Lucille
(Wife of Pvt. Nick Schmitz)

WRITE TO YOUR BUDDIES!

Pfc. Ray Melillo—A.S.N. 35525546
Anti-Tank Co. 179th Inf.
A.P.O. 45 c/o P. M. New York City
T/S Roxie Girard 35323786
270 Ord. Co. A.P.O. 961
c/o P. M. San Francisco, Calif.
Cpl. Lou Lauria 35520231
859th Cml. Co. AQ(M&H) Det. "A"
A.P.O. 149, c/o P. M. New York City
Pfc. Sylvester De Cesare
26th Marines, Officers Club, 16-Q-1
Camp Pendleton, California
Sgt. Joseph Russo 35533648
87th Cav. Rcn. Tr., A.P.O. 448
Fort Jackson, S. C.

WITH DEEP SYMPATHY

The Gazette Staff remembers the sorrow of
George Minello, U.S.N., on the death of his mother.

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

Pfc. Ray Melillo is on the Anzi-Nettuno beachhead south of Rome and says things were pretty rough for awhile — and he's never seen so much rain in all his life. . .

Pfc. Tony Zanzano was fortunate in locating his relatives in Ascoli — Province of Foggia (his dad's home town.) Tony says he was treated royally by his aunt and uncle. . .

Cpl. Mario Piastrelli is stationed at Ft. Warren, Wyoming. . . Pfc. Sy DeCesare visited the famous Mission of San Luis Rey in Calif. . . Somewhere in Iceland is Pvt. Al Toscano in the Eng. Composit Co. . . Cpl. Enrico Molinari is now at Camp Shelby, Miss. . . Pfc. Al Melillo (England) drives a bomb truck which he's named "Marie Z". Cpl. Roxie Girard is now in the Island of Maui one of the Hawaiian group. Roxie says he's been to Honolulu, Pearl Harbor, Waikiki Beach and toured other islands, and he is still looking for a HULA GIRL. All he could find was pine apple and sugar cane. (Keep on looking Roxie—who knows what you may find) . . . Pvt. Leonard Melilo has been to London twice and has seen Westminster Abbey, and many other famous places. Lenny's in the Chemical Co. . . Now at Camp Edwards, Mass., is Sgt. Samuel Bonfiglio. Henry Paoletta S2-c met two of his friends out in Hawaii unexpectedly. His cousin Albert Ricchetti, and his brother-in-law Tony . . . Somewhere in N. Africa is Pvt. Ted Anzalone, and Ted's seen plenty of action too! . . . Pvt. Peter D'Annibale is now at a Marine Base in Cherry Point, I. C. for further training. Peter recently graduated as an A.M.M. from Naval Aviation Tech. Trng. Center at Norman, Okla.

Cpl. Joe Girard and Cpl. Peter Petitti paid a visit to Pfc. Eddie Girard, their pal, in England . . . Pfc. Roland Marconi is now on the Anzio-Beachhead in Italy. Roland is also in his mother's home town, Faeto — Province of Foggia . . . Doing convoy-duty aboard a submarine is Joseph Paolozzi S1-c. Joe's made four trips to Africa already . . . Working in the Bond Office at Camp Shanks, N. Y. is Pvt. John Cuculino. . . James Farley A.M.M. 3-c, repairs and overhauls planes at Quonset Point, R. I. . . Sgt. Tony Ferretti, USMC, visited the Hollywood Canteen, and also had a chat with Gary Cooper. . .

Pfc. Joe Romeo plays the trombone with both the Military and Dance Bands at Camp Pickett, Va. The band and he's in made a broadcast recently, and they also play surrounding towns. But Joe states the band received regular Infantry basic training so that every man in the band knows how to handle a weapon . . . In Radar School (television) at Point Loma, University, Calif. is Victor Digelo S2-c. Incidentally, Antoinette Armagno is his fiancée. . . A/C Jim Giovanazzi (pilot) is at Maxwell Field, Ala. . . In the Quartermaster Corps at Ft. Riley, Kansas is Cpl. Vito Ardito . . . Pvt. Louis Galmarino is overseas in the Engineers Battalion . . . Pvt. Joseph Pavia is at Camp Steward, Ga. . . In the Tow-Target Sqd. is Cpl. Marco Vulpio . . . In the Tank Bn. at Camp Barkley, Texas is Sgt. Paul Pavia. . . Pfc. Edmund Cifani is stationed at Camp Grant, Ill. . . Both overseas are Cpl. Albis Pascal (in Airways Comm. Sq.) and Pvt. Leo Pascal (in Tank Bn.) . . . Pfc. Sam Durante also in England . . . George F. C. at Navy Pier, in Chicago, while Jeano Cioletti S2-c is at San Bruno, Calif. . . Now stationed at San Diego, Calif. is Pvt. Harry DeMarco. . . Back from the Aleutians, and now stationed at Camp Lee, Va. is S/Sgt. Paul Altier . . . Pvt. Paul Ricchetti is enjoying the Texas weather at Camp Fannin. . . Stationed at a Base Hospital in Australia is Louis Armagno, U.S.N.

S/Sgt. Frank Antonucci managed to meet Pvt. Carl Mazzone, (his future brother-in-law) in Oxford. And over a few milds and bitters it brought back old times again. . .

S/Sgt. Pat Caso is a Crew Chief on an airplane. Pat's been on four different continents — but he claims that none of them can compare with the good ole U.S.A. . . A/C Don Palumbo recently graduated from pre-flight school at Maxwell Field, Ala., and is now at Selman Field, La. for Advanced Navigation training. . . Somewhere in England is Cpl. Lou Lauria, who claims that his fox hole is "slightly deeper than the standard size."

Soldiers Cozzarin and S. Calandra meet each other in Camp Sutton, N. C. both doing work among Italian war prisoners . . . Cpl. Louis Sforzo is that way about a girl named Alice in Miami, Florida . . . Yep, engaged!

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT:

Enjoying the neighborhood, and happy to be home for awhile were: Victor DiAngelo S2-c, Jeano Cioletti S. C.3-c, A/C Jim Giovanazzi, Sgt. Nick Sanitato, John Violini S2-c, Pfc. Mike Anguilano, Pfc. Charles Candela, Cpl. Joe Caruso, Ralph DiDonna U.S.M.S., Cpl. Loreto Cianfarani, Charles Sanchez S. K.3-c, Pvt. Frank Gallo, U.S.M.C., Joe Paolozzi S1-c, James Farley A.M.M.3-c, Sgt. Anthony Casella, Pfc. Joseph Bartolozzi, Pvt. John Alberino, S/Sgt. Larry Camodeco, Pvt. John Cuculino, Nick Tortelli U.S.N., Sgt. Caspar Marconi, Louis Rubeo S2-c, Cadet Gerard Cozzarin, Sgt. Carl Ricchetti, Spl. Emil Faiella, Albert Pompei S2-c and Pvt. John Monteleone.

The Quarterly Communion Breakfast of the Diocesan Conference of St. Vincent DePaul was held at St. Rocco's Church, Sunday, April 23rd, with an attendance of 300 men.

Home on leave was Ralph DiDonna, U.S.M.S., who has been to Casablanca and Jerusalem, and seen plenty of action. . . Sgt. Caspar Marconi and his wife Angeline were both home visiting his mother. Caspar's in the Rainbow Division at Camp Gruber, Okla. . . Mrs. Rose Candela has been with her husband Charles in Arkansas for the past 4 months, and both came back to the old home town — during his furlough.

Pfc. Frank Caruso recently received a medical discharge from the Army, and was fortunate in seeing his brother Joe (after 15 months) who was home on furlough. Incidentally, Joe has been in Algiers, Oran, Tunis, Bizerte, and Naples. His job — escorting prisoners. He is now stationed in Memphis, Tenn. . . A/C Peter Ferretti recently received a visit from his wife Jean at Decatur, Ala. Both Sgt. Tony Casella, and Cadet Gerard Cozzarin were home on emergency furloughs to see their mothers who were seriously ill. Happy to report that both mothers are getting along fine.

We wish Mr. Michael Sforzo, who is now in the hospital recovering from an accident he suffered while on the job, a speedy convalescence.

✓The Sante Catholic Union boys are proudly displaying their new sweaters — which are maroon, and set off with the yellow Mercedarian emblem.

Pfc. Joseph Bartolozzi and Pvt. John Alberino met again in Cleveland during their furloughs. Both fellows met in Panama at the General Hospital. Joe worked in the Gen. Hospital, but has now been reassigned to Indianapolis. While John was in the Anti-Aircraft Artillery in Panama. It was over 2 years since they were last home, and both lads were happy at the prospect of being in the ole neighborhood once again.

—Marie Manfredi

MEET SOME PERSONALITIES

LOOKEE, A MARINE

Yes, this is the new role of Jennie DelPaggio of 3518 Marvin Avenue. Jennie has the honor of being the third girl of our parish to enlist. She enlisted November 1, 1943 and has been stationed at Camp Lejune, North Carolina and is now in San Diego, California. Jennie loves this kind of life, working as a typist in the Intelligence Office. One of her greatest ambitions has been fulfilled, the desire to be in sunny (?) California. This "buck private" expects a furlough soon. Jennie attended Lincoln High School and is a graduate of State High School.

Pvt. Tony DelPaggio, Jennie's twenty-one year old brother, is an A. S. T. P. student studying engineering in Dayton, Ohio.

This in all makes Mrs. Cosimo DelPaggio a proud two-star mother.

IT HAPPENED IN ENGLAND

Cpl. John Ripepi was walking along a road somewhere in England minding his own business when all of a sudden an army truck nearly ran into him. The driver was honking the horn like mad. Johnny nearly jumped out of his skin. BUT — it really turned out to be all right in the end. For you see the mad-honking driver was none other than Pvt. Louis Armagno, Johnny's buddy back here in the neighborhood. Pvt. Louis is a veteran "finder". He has "bumped" into quite a few friends in all the places he has been. The latest encounter was with his other buddy, Cpl. Louis Sforzo, not long ago in England.

THE CLEVELAND SCENE

The Metropolitan galaxy of stars took Cleveland by storm and the city's opera lovers proved to be the best music-loving audience in the world with 74,000 persons jamming Public Hall for a week's performance. Many of the singers including Helen Jepson and Enzo Pinza staged a special musical show for the Crile Hospital wounded . . . Soldiers' Relief, country agency for veterans, is doing a good job of hunting up jobs for returning Service Men. It will be Mayor Lausche of Cleveland, Democrat, against Mayor Stewart of Cincinnati for governor of Ohio in the fall elections. . . Mayor Frank Lausche's victory in the primaries was a walkaway . . . Last year Cleveland set the pace for the nation in the Victory Garden movement and is ready to dig in again. . . Meat (except beef) is no longer rationed! . . . Hotel Allerton was taken over by 400 Waves on June 1. . . Fish story: a sturgeon, weighing 153 lbs. was caught in Lake Erie, biggest one in many a moon . . . City Council acted unanimously and democratically to pass an ordinance prohibiting distribution or publication of anonymous literature inciting racial or religious hatred.

OUR PATRIOTIC MOTHERS

The Blue Star Mothers Club of our parish through donations of the parishioners furnished two complete sun-rooms for Crile Hospital in Parma, Ohio.

A hundred pounds of cookies also were baked by the Blue Stars Mothers Club and the P.T.A. for the wounded Service Men now at Crile Hospital.

The Blue Star Mothers Club wishes to thank the boys for the kind letters received in response to the Easter Cards sent by the mothers.

HOME AGAIN

He was sitting in a rocker, contented, with his little six-year old boy playing at his feet, and his wife gazing at the happy scene. This was the picture yours truly found when interviewing Gino Cioletti of 3199 Fulton Rd., home on a thirteen-day leave. He has just finished his "boot training" at Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

Gino has been married for eight years to the former Lucy Muscarella. Their little son, Mario, attends St. Rocco's School. Before entering the Service, Gino was a cook at Hotel Cleveland. Gino was very happy to be at home. "Great Lakes is nice, but home is always nicer," he remarked.

His brother, Sgt. Ugo Cioletti, has been in the Service three years and has been in New Caledonia, Munda and Guadalcanal. Ugo, unfortunately was stricken with malaria fever.

—Dora Casino

RECENT MIDDLE-AISLERS

Cpl. John Utrata and Eleanor Faenza became man and wife.

Gerald Mazzarella was married to Celeste Lioce.

Edith Melillo became the bride of Edward Zotter.

Mr. Albertini middle-aisled it with Rose Sanducci.

Mr. N. Zaffino and Domenica Nunnari.

THESE BUSY TIMES!

Here is the latest on the manpower shortage. A new conductor hired by the local street car company was on the first run of his new job. He started to call out the names of the streets as the car was leaving the public square. Then the street car neared a suburb and the new conductor hesitatingly called each street. Finally he announced to the rest of the riders:

"Well, folks, from here on, you're on your own. I haven't the slightest idea where we are!"

DEAD OR ALIVE

"How come your uncle says he would rather do business with Japs than Americans?"

"He's a funeral director."

HOME TOWN SPORTS CHAT

Well, well, well. . . at this writing the Cleveland Indians are in the cellar of the American League. . . Manager Lou Boudreau still thinks they have a chance to cop the pennant . . . All this and the cream of the Indian crop having left and more leaving for the service . . . Ken Keltner, the best third baseman in the league, was accepted by the Navy while Pitcher Reynolds and Catcher Lyon passed pre-induction examinations . . . Mel Harder, Tribe veteran, celebrated 17 years with the Indians and beat the Red Sox to chalk up his 200th big league victory . . . Pat Seerey's bat is creating a sensation . . . 'Bout time tomahawks appeared among the Indians . . . No such thing as Indians on the pennant warpath yet . . . That was some 20 years ago . . . At this stage of the game the Browns and the Yankees are battling it out for first place . . . the Browns look like a brand new ball club . . . Sandloters began their 35th season with the Bartunek's whipping Waldorf Beers, 10 - 1 at Brookside and the Rosenblums edging Rocky River Meats 1 - 0 at Edgewater.

LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

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They Shall Always Be Remembered In Our Hearts For Their Call Above and Beyond Duty

Unwillingly, but reverently and with saddened hearts, we pause and pay solemn tribute to two boys of our parish, who in unselfish devotion for their country's cause, gave up their dearest possession — their lives.

Sgt. Dominic Colino and Pvt. Frank De Bellis — two names dear and sacred to the hearts of their loved ones, and symbols of sacrifice and courage to their community.

We can only honor their names and their memories, because their bodies lie in lands far away and almost legendary. We cannot lay garlands on their resting places, therefore. Their resting place is in the hearts of their loved ones.

Hence, we tender our sincere sympathy to the families of Dominic Colino and Frank De Bellis. We cannot understand their grief. We cannot estimate their great loss. However, we sincerely hope that their grief was assuaged somewhat by our friendly thoughts and heartfelt sympathy.

D-Day! The Invasion of France cost many lives, among them that of Pvt. Frank De Bellis, son of Mr. Vincent De Bellis. Frank, who was known as a brave boy back home, fell as a brave soldier in the very first wave of the big push on June 6.

He is the second major casualty of the parish. The day before his gallant bow to death he had celebrated his 21st birthday. He was born on June 5, 1923. He attended St. Rocco's School and Thomas Jefferson.

At the age of seven he became ill with Black Diphtheria and the doctors gave him no hope, but he pulled through. A few years ago he cut his foot very severely and again was close to death, but recovered to join his playmates in his favorite sport baseball.

Pvt. De Bellis

Frankie initiated the "Sleeping Snoozers Jug Band" which won itself much publicity, even on the radio.

Pvt. Frank was inducted in February, 1943 and trained at Camp Wheeler, Ga. He went overseas a year ago. Before that he went to visit his brother Sgt. Vito in North Carolina.

Frankie is survived by his father, three sisters, Lena, Mary and Mercedes and three brothers, Sgt. Vito, now stationed in Rome, Seaman Salvatore in the Pacific war zone, and meo.

A Memorial Mass was celebrated in his honor on Sunday, July 23, at 10 a. m.



Sgt. Colino

1941. They have a little daughter, Sharon, who looks a lot like her father — who nicknamed her "Sherry".

Sgt. Dominic was inducted in October, 1942. He had been home on furlough once, an emergency for the funeral of his father who died in an accident while working at the J. Laughlin Steel Co. Several days later George left for overseas. Gunner and radioman with the 15th Air Force based in Italy, he was on a mission over Austria when he was reported lost April 12, 1944.

He is survived by his mother Gemma, his wife Margaret, his daughter Sharon and his four sisters, Mary, Carrie, Jennie and Connie.

A Memorial Mass was held in the Parish Church on Sunday, July 2, at 10 a. m.

Sgt. Dominic Colino, 23, is the first in St. Rocco's Parish to die in World War II. George, as he was known to everyone, will always be remembered for his brilliant personality, cheerfulness, sincerity and devotion to duty. He is the only son of Mrs. Gemma Colino.

He was born on February 22, 1921. He attended St. Rocco's and achieved high honors in the school's first graduation class in 1934. Then he graduated from West Tech in 1938, subsequently employed at the Grasselli Chemical Co. George married the former Margaret Dougan on January 7,

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EDITORIAL—

TWO GOLD STARS

Gold represents a color out of the ordinary. Gold represents treasure, the rays of the sun, heavenly mansions, glory.

The smile that today beams beyond the horizons on the countenances of Dominic Colino and Frank De Bellis is one of gold. They gave their all to capture this golden treasure — glory.

That golden smile merges with the gold star that is now emblazoned on the front window of their families' home.

These two boys gave their lives "that the nation might live." Let us remember that we are honoring these beloved dead for the work that they did — that we do not honor nor desire war. Their last letter to all of us could have contained only one word — "Liberty" — their last wish for us. As we think of these two boys, we are conscious of the fact that so many of our boys are far away in dangers unknown, battling the elements and the enemy to preserve our way of life.

"It is for us, the living, to be dedicated to the unfinished work which they have thus far so nobly advanced . . ."

"That from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave their last full measure of devotion . . ."

It is a great task, that of preserving our freedom and achieving a lasting peace. Let us pay our tribute to these honored dead in prayers for peace. They would have liked it this way — a peace that

will endure forever and a brighter day when war will be no more.

Then no day will be as bright and golden as the faces of our two boys — for peace is golden, too.

Pastor's Message

OUR SHARE

Four hundred and forty-six boys from our Parish are serving in the armed forces of the United States. These men are stationed in all the corners of the world where this war is being fought; they are in all the branches of the forces in the land, air and sea; they range from simple private to Major in the AMG. They are facing all the possible climates and meeting all kinds of people. From Iceland to South America; from the Near to the Far East... yes they are all over, doing their bitter share in this war. The share, our share rather, is this, so far: **Two killed in action; three are prisoners; several have been wounded. Yes, we are doing our part.**

The first two casualties among our men are, as you can read on the editorial page, Dominic (Georgie) Colino and Frank De Bellis; two fine boys from our school. It is impossible for me to forget my former babies from the school; it will be impossible to forget Georgie and Frank today more than ever.

Georgie . . . He was so small while attending our school. "Georgie when are you going to grow up? His usual smile was the answer. He would grow some day. I had a letter from him, the last one, about the end of April; he wrote on Saturday before Easter. In it, as a true catholic he was assuring me that on the same day he had gone to confession but that the next day (Easter Sunday) could not go to Holy Communion, because he had to go and lay some eggs, not the happy making eggs of Easter, but those of destruction. He died in that mission, but as a real soldier of God, well prepared to meet Him.

Frank De Bellis. . . He was rather shy in his small age, rather delicate in his health, but at the time of his induction he was a giant both in his size and health. He went in the armed forces ready to do his part and the hardest way: he joined the paratroopers and went through the hard training; but finally he was transferred into the infantry. On June 6th, the day of the invasion, he fell on the battle fields of France, as a good soldier of his Faith and of his country.

We miss these two boys and we will miss them more as time goes by; but their sacrifice will not be in vain. From their blood, from their bones — above all from their prayers from heaven above — we will all share in a better and more christian world. It is up to us to make their sacrifice bear good fruits. I know that we can count on their prayers for us. Yes, Georgie and Frankie! You won't forget your wife, your baby, your mother, your father, your sister and brothers, our dear parish of St. Rocco! We are still in this valley of tears; you are in the eternal happiness of Heaven, with God, with our Blessed Mother; with your father, mother and pals who with you faced death in the most bitter way. We bless you; we shall remember you in our memories, in our prayers, until such a time when we shall be together in the home of our Heavenly Father, never to be separated again. Until then, Frankie, Georgie, good bye, and once again let me tell you as I always said in my letters to you: God bless you!

Fr. S. Gattuso, O.D.M.
Pastor.



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 Pvt. Philip Santamaria
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 Pvt. Guy Sanvido
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 Pvt. Frank Scarpelli
 Pvt. John Scarpelli
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 Gandolfo Schemmenti, M.M. 2-c
 Pvt. Joseph Schemmenti, U.S.M.C.
 Pvt. Michael Schemmenti
 Pvt. Nicholas Schmitz
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 Carl Scollo, SC2-c
 Mike Seaman, S3-c
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 Pfc. John Simiele
 Cpl. Joseph Spinelli
 Pvt. Mike Spinelli
 Pvt. Carmen Stavole
 Pvt. Frank Stella
 Anthony Strizzi, M.S. 2-c
 Sgt. Frank Suglio
 Pvt. John Suglio
 Cpl. Sam Taromina
 Sgt. James Timateo
 Sgt. Victor Tobacco
 Pvt. Guilo Tofanetti

Pvt. Orlando Tonti
 Pfc. James Tortelli
 Nick Tortelli, F2-c
 Pvt. Albert Toscano
 Pvt. Joseph Toscano
 Pvt. Elio Toscano
 Cpl. Julius Trombetta
 S1-c Mario Troncone
 Pfc. Sylvester Trunkett
 Louis Tubero PhM. 2-c
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 Pfc. Adelbert Velloney
 Cpl. Augustine Viglione
 Donald Viglione, S2-c
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 Cpl. Mark Vulpio
 Pvt. John Washelesky
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 Pvt. Joseph Zazzaro
 S-Sgt. Michael Zona

The Cleveland Scene

The most important news first: the Fifth War Loan Drive was a huge success with Clevelanders piling in \$245,000,000 of Bonds — June 28 was the second hottest weather in the city's history when the thermometer registered 101 degrees. — About 200 electric fans were provided by patriotic people to the Crile Hospital Veterans — A drive is being held to provide trees and shrubbery for Crile Hospital's improvement — The Festival of Freedom and a military parade marked the celebration of the Fourth back home. — The Philadelphia Opera Co. is bringing a galaxy of stars to the city in October for a repertoire of opera. — Clevelanders may be guinea pigs if the Health Association succeeds in adding sodium fluoride to drinking water to see if this prevents tooth decay. — The machinery which will insure soldiers a chance to vote in the November elections got moving in Cleveland some time ago—relatives must obtain applications from board of Elections in City Hall. —The Pop Concerts got under way for another successful season.

Thirty Italian War Prisoners captured in Africa were enjoying freedom in America and visited Cleveland; among other sights was a rollicking afternoon at Euclid Beach. They are stationed at the Erie Proving Grounds.

The Catholic Charities drive succeeded as usual this year—the Sante Catholic Union gave a June Dance at North Italian Hall for the church's benefit. — The Government ordered a clothes drive for Italy recently and all the parishioners are cooperating wonderfully. — The Cleveland Police Department has added two new members to its force, Mr. Anthony Auletta and Mr. Frank Pironelli, both parishioners.

What Did You Do Today?

(In Memory of Dominic Colino and Frank De Bellis)

What did you do today, my friend,
 From morning until night?
 How many times did you complain
 The rationing is too tight?
 When are you going to start to do
 All of the things you say?
 A soldier would like to know, my friend,
 WHAT DID YOU DO TODAY?

We met the enemy today
 And took the town by storm.
 Happy reading it will make
 For you tomorrow morn.
 You'll read with satisfaction
 The brief communique.
 We fought, but are you fighting
 WHAT DID YOU DO TODAY?

My gunner died in my arms today;
 I feel his warm blood yet;
 Your neighbor's dying boy gave out
 A scream I can't forget.
 On my right a tank was hit,
 A flash and then a fire;
 The stench of burning flesh
 Still rises from the pyre.
 WHAT DID YOU DO TODAY, MY FRIEND,

To help us with the task?
 Did you work harder and longer for less,
 Or is that too much to ask,
 What right have I to ask you this,
 You probably will say;
 Maybe now you'll understand
 YOU SEE, I DIED TODAY.

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

Lt. John Messuri is now in England. While there he bumped into Pvt. Frank De Bellis and Pvt. Joe Incorvia, but he hasn't been able to see his brother Joe as yet, who is also in England. First, Joe had to go to the hospital with shrapnel in his leg — and just when John was able to see him — he, himself, was sent to the hospital with a piece of shrapnel in his leg. Don't give up John, you'll get to see each other yet.

Pvt. Sam Anguilano is studying armament for medium bombardment aircraft, at Lowry Field, in Denver, Colorado. Somewhere in the South Pacific is Pvt. Joe Furio — and he'd like his friends to drop him a line. (Address is on a preceding page). — In the Artillery Div. is Pfc. Daniel J. Miranda, at Camp Rucker, Alabama. — Cpl. Phillip Ricciardi somewhere overseas. — In Sampson, N. Y. is Carl Fusco, H. A. 2/c. — Pvt. Frank Stella at Caspar, Wyoming, is fortunate in having his wife Angeline (Forchione) with him. — Pvt. Jerry Fortunato is taking in Ft. Knox, Ky. — While Pvt. Wm. DeFlorio is stationed at Camp Wheeler, Ga. — Ft. Fisher, N. C. is now the home of Pfc. Lino Moro. — Overseas in the Engineering Div. on the U.S.S. Leeds-town, is Robert Cubana, F 1/c. — Also overseas, is Pvt. Dovilio Toffanetti — in the Infantry.

Somewhere in England, is Capt. Domenic Caravona. — Connected with a General Hospital overseas is Pvt. Joseph Diciolla — In a Bombing Squadron is Cpl. Sam Taormina — On the U.S.S. Enterprise is Henry Sabbatis, S2/c. — Pfc. Anthony Del PagTgio at Camp Swift, Texas. — S/gt. Vito DeBellis is now in Rome. — Pvt. Elio Toscano is in the Air Corps in Texas. — In the Signal Corps at Petaluma, Calif. is Pvt. James Mangano. — Pvt. Philip Enia says that he's been roaming all over England the past few months. — Somewhere in Italy is Sgt. Tony Lonero. — We're glad to hear that Cpl. Don Brucchieri is convalescing and coming along "swell." He'll be out of the hospital soon now. — Taking in Africa is Pvt. David Imburgia. — Pfc. Philip Delfino is somewhere in the South Pacific. — Taking it easy at Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. is John Violini S2/c. — Pfc. Al Melillo informs us that Louie Lauria is managing a P. X. (in England) so if any of you fellows out there run short — see Lou, and he'll sure fix you up.

Paul M. Finelli S.M. 3/c (somewhere in the Southwest Pacific) says that he has located a lot of his old buddies through the **Gazette**. — Pvt. Louis Anelli is glad that we include addresses of the boys in the paper. — Somewhere in the Pacific is Michael Gallucci S1/c. — A/C Thomas Balbo is now attending Navigation School at Ellington Field, Texas. — At Camp Roberts, Calif. is Pvt. Jerry Il Giovine. — Pfc. John Girard is at Ft. Knox, Ky. — Sgt. Jerry Fatone in New Guinea. — Frank Cocchiarale P. O. 2/c is a mechanic in Naval Air Corps — so far he has put in 150 hours in the air. — Sgt. Rudy Bergantino is a waist gunner on a Flying Fortress at Avon Park, Fla.

Pvt. Lawrence Oberti (New Guinea) is proud of having taken "a crack at those Japs." Lawrence is in the Engineers Corps and has charge of a large group of natives. Recently, he spent his first furlough in Australia.

In a U.S.O., somewhere in Italy, Sgt. Frank Lonero was peacefully drinking coffee, when the cup almost fell out of his hands. For there (choking on his coffee) was Julius Trombetta. Both boys were overjoyed to see one another. Frank has also met his aunt and uncle and all of his relatives, whom he is able to see often, as he is not far from his parents' home town.

T/Sgt. Stephen Petruzzi is an engineer and gunner on a

B-24 (Lib.), He has completed 21 missions over enemy territory, and is stationed in England. Thanks for the picture of yourself and crew standing in front of your plane.

Training to be a Navigator at Selman Field, Monroe, La. is A/C Dom Palumbo. — Pfc. Sam Aversano is an instructor at Ft. Benning, Ga., in the Army Infantry School. — In the Medical Corps is Pfc. Edmund Cifani (incidentally, his outfit is the only one that has nurses). He also plays in the orchestra for all U.S.O. affairs, and for Army shows. — Kenneth Hyer M 3/c is in the Amphibious Task Force of the Seabees, in Calif. — Formerly in North Africa, John Ciliberto AMM 3/c is now in England. He spent his leave in London and took in all the sights. Thank you for the photo, "Midge" — you look grand in your aviation outfit.

SIGHTS ON THE HOMEFRONT:

Home on furlough and taking in the neighborhood were Pvt. Harry DeMarco, Pfc. Joseph DiLuzio, Sgt. Jimmy Timateo, Pfc. Bob Collins, Mario Troncone, S1/c, Kenneth Hyer, M 3/c, Pfc. Nick Paoletta, Sgt. Joe Paoletta, Don D'Aiuto, S 2/c, Frank Cocchiarale, 2/c P. O., Pvt. Frank Faustino, Pfc. Anthony Ducato, Pfc. Edmund Sifani, Cpl. Joe Spinelli, Cpl. James Girard, Cpl. Enrico Molinari, Nick Tortelli, F 2/c, George Caso, F. C., Sgt. Anthony Casella, Sgt. Joe Russo, Sgt. Angelo Comodeco, Cpl. Jimmy Tortelli, Pvt. Nick Schmitz, Pvt. Ed D'Alessandro, Cpl. Loreto Cianfarani, Pfc. Carl Ricchetti, Pfc. Sam Scaravelli, Pvt. Dante Laudi, Leonard Paoletta, U.S.M.S.

Recent middle-aislers were:

Pfc. Carl Ricchetti and Margaret Miko.
Carmela Labagnara and Ralph Miller.

Carmela Lizzini and Salvatore Scherma, were married at camp in Colorado.

Pfc. Theresa Camerato and Pfc. Anthony Schwartz.

Stork News: — Cpl. and Mrs. Mark Vulpio — girl. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gianvito — boy.

Cpl. Jimmy Tortelli just missed his brother Nick (who is in the Navy) by two days. Both had furloughs. — Two pals, who were fortunate in obtaining leaves at the same time, were Mario Troncone S1/c — connected with Dog Patrol in Providence, R. I., and Donald D'Aiuto S2/c — who just completed his boot training at Great Lakes, Ill. — Pvt. Frank Faustion is in the Infantry at Ft. Meade, Md., and is now engaged to Miss Lillian Shievr. — Sgt. Roccie Rutti became engaged to Miss Isabel Ruggieri during his recent furlough; he has just left Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., for a destination in California.

Pfc. and Mrs. Bob Collins (Anna Monte) home together on his furlough. Bob guards German prisoners, says they are well treated and are being taught the American way of life. One of the prisoners presented Bob with a pencil sketch of himself while on guard duty. Mrs. Colline has been with her husband since he has been in the Service, but now she is home to stay.

WHY D-DAY?

Darkness before the dawn! In a misty sea of suffering and for a world gloomy and troubled our boys have landed to succumb the foe whose fiendish desire it was to rob so many nations of their precious heritage, freedom.

It is always dark before the dawn. Yet, the dawn is inevitable. It must come! It will come! But the darkness must be penetrated first.

First the darkness — the grim sufferings of war.

Then the dawn. Then hope. Joy. Peace. All the good things.

Valor Is His Middle Name



Pfc. Melillo

Wherever there was heavy action and need for courage there Pfc. Raymond Melillo could be found. Thus, he came through the North African campaign, the battle of Sicily and the relentless fighting on the Anzio beach-head — without a scratch. Only courage and Divine Providence could have kept him safe through all this.

Several weeks ago the War Department notified Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Melillo that their son, Ray, was slightly wounded on May 30, 1944 somewhere in Italy.

In his latest letter to his parents Ray stated that he was in a hospital recovering from malaria and from shattered nerves.

He graduated from St. Rocco's School and attended Lincoln High, then was employed at Republic Steel before his induction in December, 1942. He went overseas in June, 1943. Ray has another brother in the Army, Pfc. James, stationed in California. He has three sisters, Edna and Rita, who are married, Lena, and a younger brother, Gerald.

We wish Ray the swiftest recovery possible and a swell trip home — the sooner the better. We are including Ray's address below again so his buddies can write to him. Now is the time, more than ever before, to write.

IN THE MAIL

Dear Friends:

I have been rather busy but now I am taking time out to thank you all for sending me the Gazette regularly. I am engineer and gunner on a B-24 (Liberator) and have completed 21 missions over enemy territory. I am sorry to hear about John Santosuosso, but I am sure he is all right. When I first arrived in England I ran into him and he promised to write. Now I know why I haven't heard from him. Men from my own field that escaped from German prison camps returned to England saying that they were not mistreated, so this news might make Johnny's people feel a little more relaxed.

T/Sgt. Stephen Petruzzi, Somewhere in England.

Dear Gazette Members:

It was nice to hear from you all again. I'm glad you are putting addresses of the boys, now I can write to some of them. Thanks again for the Gazette.

Pfc. Louis Anelli, c/o P. M., Seattle, Wash.

Dear Gazetteers:

Thanks for your thoughtfulness in sending the Gazette. It is the best medium I have to keep myself posted on what is happening at home and the whereabouts of friends. You should all be complimented for the grand job you are doing. It won't be in vain.

Cpl. Enrico Molinari, Camp Shelby, Miss.

TO THE GRADUATION CLASS OF 1934

Today — 1944.

June 1944 — ten years in the future — remember that pledge? The first graduation class pledged to meet, barring all circumstances. But we never thought of a war. It is a legitimate excuse; so the reunion of St. Rocco's 1934 alumni and alumnae will have to be postponed.

HOME TOWN SPORTS CHAT

Half way through the major league season, the Indians find themselves around fourth place, right on the heels of the Red Sox. The Tribe is $5\frac{1}{2}$ games from the league-leading wonders, the Browns. Fourth place has been by no means a steady job for the Redskins, for every other week finds them slipping back into the second division.

For the first time in American League history has the pennant vying been a free-for-all. Anybody can end up in first place. No team is actually poor in pitching or batting power. On July 16, the Tribe's 15-hit attack smashed the St. Louis club by a score of 13-2. This proves that EVEN the Indians can win a pennant. Incidentally, Luke Sewell has his Brownies working overtime because he and his boys know that if they're ever going to clinch a pennant it's to be this year; the Browns NEVER were good enough for a world series, always having been content with cellar life, although this year they aim to make it stellar life.

The National Leaguers bagged the most decisive victory of any All-Star game in the July 11 baseball classic in Pittsburgh by a stinging score of 7 to 1. Although three Indians (Boudreau, Cullenbine, and Hockett) sat it out, Keltner played at the hot corner all through the game, tallying the only run for the American All-Stars.

Write To Your Buddies!

Pfc. Ray Melillo—A. S. N., 35525546
Anti-Tank Co., 179th Inf.
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Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., 161 Inf.
A. P. O., 25 c/o P. M., San Francisco, Calif.

Cpl. Enrico T. Molinari—35062361
Hq. Btry, 286th FA, Obsn. Bn.
Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

Pfc. Louis Anelli—35524524
Bty. A, 42nd C. A. Bn.
A. P. O. 726, c/o P. M. Seattle, Wash.

T/Sgt. Stephen Petruzzi—35520259
704 Bomb Sq., 446 Bomb GRP.
A. P. O. 558, c/o P. M. New York City.



LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

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CLEVELAND, OHIO

Their memories as their deeds shall be a beacon for our future.

Captain Dominic P. Caravona, an Army doctor and father of two children, was killed in France on September 25, the War Department notified his wife, Mildred, who lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amedo Caravona, at 3149 W. 32nd St.

The captain, a former member of the visiting staffs at St. John's, Deaconess and Grace Hospitals, was a graduate of Lincoln High School and Ohio State University. He received his medical degree at the University of St. Louis



and had a large general practice with offices at 3499 Clark Avenue.

He was well known and loved by the entire Parish. He was quite active at St. Rocco's Church. He also was a former member of St. Rocco's Commandery, Knights of St. John.

His two children are Ronald, three, and Mary Ellen, five months old. He entered the Army two years ago and had been overseas nine months.

Official word has reached the parents of **T/5 Michael Zaccaro**, age 23, that he was killed in action in France on August 7, 1944. In his last letter to his parents Michael said he was o. k. and told his parents to "keep your chin up and keep smiling."

Although he never mentioned the fact that he was in France, the War Department notified his parents that he was in France at the time of his death.

Prior to his induction T/5 Michael was employed at a bottling company as an assembly man. He graduated from West Tech High School.

Michael is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zaccaro, seven brothers — Fl-c Thomas, somewhere in the South Pacific, Phillip and George, honorably discharged from the Army, Joseph, honorably discharged from the Navy, Nick, Louis and John; and four sisters — Chris, Victoria, Sarah and Loretta.

A Memorial Mass at 10 o'clock was celebrated in his honor shortly after the telegram was received.

Cpl. Joseph Messuri, 20, was killed in France on Sept. 7, 1944. Many will remember Joe as a star on Lincoln High's football team last year. Three weeks after graduation he was inducted into the Army. He was in the Infantry, having received his basic training at Durham, N. C. He volunteered to serve with the U. S. Rangers in January, 1944.

While on maneuvers in England, Cpl. Joe was wounded and spent seven weeks in a hospital. Upon his recovery on June 27, he arrived in France to partake in the great battle, incidentally, while in France, he met his brother, Lt. John Messuri.

Joe was engaged to be married to Theodora Dembowski, a member of St. John Cantius Parish, and also a student of Lincoln High School. On July 29, Joe's father presented the engagement ring for Joe to Miss Dembowski. The only furlough Joe had was in July, 1943.

Surviving him are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Messuri, two sisters, Mary and Lucille, and two brothers, Lt. John in Belgium, and Alex.

A Memorial Mass was celebrated November 5th.



Before his induction into the Army Charles was employed at the Otis Steel Company. From December, 1943 to May, 1944, he was fortunate to be able to have his wife live near the camp at which he was stationed. Pfc. Charles is survived by his wife, Mrs. Rose Candela, and his newly born son, Charles, Jr. A memorial Mass will be celebrated in the Parish Church on November 26, 1944 at 10:00 a.m.

He was awarded the Purple Heart.

On August 28, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Faustino, were notified that their son, **Pvt. Frank Faustino**, age 19, was killed on August 4, in France.

In the last letter written home to his parents, Frank said he was well, but made no mention of the fact that he was in the thick of battle.

He was sent overseas in June, 1944, spending a short time in England, before going to France. The last furlough he had was in May, 1944, prior to Mother's Day.

Pvt. Frank attended West Tech High School, and was employed at the White Sewing Machine Co., before his induction into the Army. He was engaged to be married to Miss Lillian Sheiver.



He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Faustino, and a brother Nick Jr.

Recently, a Memorial Mass was said in his honor.

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EDITORIAL

Another Thanksgiving Day has arrived, and notwithstanding the fact that the world is full of turmoil, we can feel that spirit of thankfulness all about us.

We sit at our jobs — you in your foxholes or barracks, we at home behind the mighty machines and presses pounding out the materials of War — and ponder, "Is there anything to be really thankful for?"

We set aside this day, full of significance, to thank the Lord for blessing this land of ours with abundance, freedom of worship, and keeping us from the trials and tribulations that are being suffered by our less fortunate Allies. We know we have more than just this for which to be thankful. We know that there is something that assures us that the Good Lord in His Infinite wisdom will soon bring an end to this terrible holocaust behind whose dark clouds of destruction the sun is brightly shining — waiting to shower happiness on us mortals here on earth.

Our Faith in God is what helps us to endure this struggle until the day when the monsters who perpetrated this War will be driven off the face of the earth. Only through the destruction of their principles can a lasting peace be achieved. Our Faith is bolstering our spirit and helping us attain our ultimate goal.

We must, therefore, thank God on this day for his blessings through this wonderful gift of our Faith. We know He will guide us safely through this year to another Thanksgiving — a happier Thanksgiving — when we will all together again enjoy everlasting peace and happiness.

Let us, therefore, commemorate our prayers this day and every day to a pledge to our Faith in the Good Lord and a happy prosperous future. Yes, we have a lot to be thankful for.

Pastor's Message

My dear boys:

Our Gazette will reach you with some delay this time but just as welcome as ever. Your messages of appreciation are the best reward for the uneasy task the editors have before themselves in making this voice from home possible.

Well, my dear boys, I have good news and news which is not good for you this time. The good news is about your folks at home who are all well except, of course, little colds or things like that. We priests of the parish are well, although a little tired. Our work has increased so much; but we will carry on for our good people. A fine news is that we have no more debt on our property. During the month of August we ran a campaign to raise the funds to clean our burden. All working people were asked to give at least \$10.00 each; the amount we wanted to raise was \$15,000.00. Thanks to the wonderful spirit of generosity of our folks we went over \$17,000.00. You should have been in our church yard the night I announced the success of the campaign. It was Monday night of Labor Day, the closing day of our 35th annual celebration of St. Rocco. Everybody expressed their satisfaction by whistling, hollering. September the 11th, yours very truly, paid the debt in St. Louis, Mo. A little over a month before your pastor had done something else: he had bought all the property of the Muscarella family at the cost of \$16,000.00; this amount was paid in full September 21st.

The sad news is the one about the death of more soldiers of our parish. To the ones mentioned by the editors I must add comments on Capt. Dr. Dominic Caravona who was killed in France in the performance of his duty of genuine christian charity attending the wounded a short distance from the actual zone of combat. How many memories revive in my mind when I think of Dominic. I still remember him as a shy and modest boy at the time of his first Holy Communion; when he finished his high school, to enter college and wanted to enter St. Louis medical school. He had finished his third year of medicine when one day, during my vacation at St. John's Hospital, I saw him entering my room all dressed in white. I felt so happy to see the first boy of the parish, since my stay, on the road of the noblest profession. I saw him again the following year. During his internship at St. John's he distinguished himself for his devotion to duty and was well beloved by all the doctors who saw in him the fine acquisition of the medical class. There he met his future wife, the saintly lady who today lives in the deep sorrow of the terrible loss and dedicates herself to the wonderful treasures God and Dominic gave her: two lovely little children. So many joys have been turned into sorrow; so many hopes have been shattered. Our parish has lost one of its most promising members, one whom everybody loved and trusted in the exercise of the medical profession. All our people have partaken in the sorrow of Mr. and Mrs. Caravona, Dominic's wonderful parents, and of Mrs. D. Caravona, the young widowed mother of two splendid children. I take this occasion to express again the condolences of all our people. We know that their comfort is in our faith. We will be together once again in heaven, never to be separated. We propose to honor our heroes in a better way when we will build our new church.

My boys, God bless you and keep you.

Father Gattuso.



Roll of Honor



Pvt. Anthony Acquaviva
Pvt. Peter Alberino
Pvt. John Alberino
Rocco Alberino, U.S.M.C.
Michael Almasi F 2-c
S-Sgt. Michael Altier
Pvt. Anthony Amaddio
Cpl. August Amaro
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Pfc. Louis Anelli
Pfc. Vito Anelli
Pvt. Anthony Anguilano, U.S.M.C.
Pfc. Michael Anguilano
Pvt. Michael Anguilano
Pfc. Peter Anguilano
A-S Sam Anguilano
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S-Sgt. Frank Antonucci
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Louis Armagno, S1-c
Pvt. Robert Artwell
Pvt. Sam Aversano

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A-S Thomas Balbo
Pvt. Louis Ballachino
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Pfc. Fred Battaglia
Pfc. Raymond Battaglia
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Pvt. Livio Briancesco
Pfc. Rino Briancesco
Pvt. Sam Brooks
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Pvt. Anthony Bruno
Pvt. Herman Bruno
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Pfc. Ivo Cioletti
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Pvt. Guido Cola
Pvt. Vincent Cipriani

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Edmund D'Aiuto SK2-c, U.S.C.G.*
Pvt. Anthony D'Ambrosio
Sgt. Aug. D'Ambrosio U.S.M.C.
Pfc. Peter D'Annibale, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Peter D'Ambrosio
Sgt. Alfred Dadante
Pvt. Victor Dadante *
Cpl. Michael Dadante
Pfc. Anthony Dadante
Pvt. John Daniele
Pvt. Patsy De Angelo
Sgt. Sam De Angelo
Pvt. Frank De Bellis**
Salvatore De Bellis S 1-c
S-Sgt. Vito De Bellis
Pvt. Rosario Delfino
Cpl. Nick Delia
Pvt. Pierre De Girolamo
Pvt. Leon De Intinnis
Cpl. Michael De Girolamo
Pvt. Phillip Delfino, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. James Del Monte
Pvt. Harry De Marco
Pvt. Louis De Marco
Pfc. Anthony Del Paggio
Pfc. Joseph De Phillipis
Pfc. Jennie Del Paggio, USMCWR
Cpl. Ezio De Piero
Pvt. Thomas De Tardo *
Cpl. James De Tardo
Pfc. Joseph Dettore, U.S.M.C.
S-Sgt. Peter Dettorre
Pfc. Sylvester Di Cesare, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Joseph Di Ciolla
Dominic Di Concezio, M.M. 2-c
Ralph Didonna
S-Sgt. Nick Di Gioia
Pfc. Joseph Di Luzio
Pvt. Rocco Di Luzio

Pfc. Sam Di Mauro
Pfc. Anthony Ducato
Pfc. Sam Durante
S /Sgt. G. J. DiCapo
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Cpl. James Di Capo
Pvt. Edward Di Fiore
Pfc. Ignatius Di Salvo

Cpl. Joseph Enia
Pvt. Philip Enia
Pvt. Thomas Enia
Pvt. Joseph Fabri
Cpl. Emil Faiella
James Farley, S 1-c
Pvt. Jerry Fatone
Pvt. Frank Faustino **
Pvt. Frank Felice
Pvt. Peter Favino
T-5 Guido Favograsso
Pvt. Dominic Favorito
Sgt. Anthony Ferretti, U.S.M.C.
Cpl. Peter Ferreti
Pfc. Henry Ferrini
Paul M. Finelli, S.M 3-c
Pvt. Americo Fior
Edward Floro, MUS2-c
Mario Floro, U.S.C.G.
Pvt. Guy Fortunato
Pvt. Gene Francescangelo
Cpl. Jerry Francescangelo
Pvt. Alphonse Fusco
Pvt. Joseph Furio
Carl S. Fusco, H. A. 2-c

Cpl. Pat Gagliardi
Frank L. Gangale C.M.3-c
Pfc. Sam Galotta *
Pvt. Frank Gallo, U.S.M.C.
Michael Gallucci, S1-c
Pvt. Raymond Gallucci *
Pvt. Louis Galmarino
Pvt. Louis Gangale
Sgt. Alfred Gargano
Pvt. Joseph Gargano
Pfc. Carmel Genco
S-Sgt. Salvatore Geraci
Sgt. A. A. Gesualdo
Pvt. Albert Giancaterino
Pfc. Mario Giancaterino
Leonard Giangrande, S1-c
Pvt. Peter Gigliotti
Pvt. Victor Gigliotti
A-S James Giovinazzi
Pvt. Armado Girardi
Pfc. Edward Girard
Cpl. Joseph Girard
Pvt. Joseph Girard
Pfc. John Girardi
Cpl. James Girard Jr.
S-Sgt. Michael Girard
Cpl. Rocco Girard
Pvt. Ruddy Gori
Sgt. Leonard Grabowski
Pfc. Mario Grassi
Pvt. Tullio Grassi
Pvt. Joseph Grassi
Pfc. Mickey Gratson
Cpl. Albert Gregorio
Robert Gubana, F1-c
Pfc. Robert Guerci
T-5 John Gullo
Cpl. Ray Gullo
Joseph Gullo U.S.N.
Pvt. Eugene Gulotta
Cpl. Ferdinand Guzzo *
Cpl. Gaetano Guzzo
Pfc. Frank Gallucci

Kenneth Heyer, M3-c

Pvt. Jerry IlGiovine *
Pfc. Basil Imburgia
Pvt. David A. Imburgia
Pvt. Joseph Incorvia
Pvt. Daniel Indellicati

Pvt. Joseph Indellicati

Pvt. William Keckan, U.S.M.C.
Sgt. Edward Kelley
** Deceased

Sain Krsulovic
Thomas Kuhar

Cpl. Fred LaRocca
Pfc. Epifanio LaRocca
Pfc. Thomas LaRocca
Sgt. Paul LaRocca
Cpl. John La Russa
Pvt. Dante Laudi
Cpl. Louis Lauria
Leonard Leone, U.S.M.C.
Maj. John Leacacos
Pfc. Arthur Lettiere
Cpl. John Lioce
August Lisi, S2-c
Sgt. Tony Lonero
Cpl. Andrew Lonero
Sgt. Frank Lonero
Pvt. Vincent Lucarino

Pfc. Dominic Mamone
Vincent Mancuso, S2-c
Pvt. Dan Mangini
Pvt. James Mangano
Pvt. Floyd J. Marano
S 2-c Albert Marano
James Marchiano S2-c
Mike Marconci S2-c
Pvt. Louis Marconi
Pvt. Angelo Martin
Pvt. Joseph Martin
Sgt. Casper Marconi
Cpl. Roland Marconi
Pvt. Peter Mazzeo *
S-Sgt. Angelo Mazzone
Pvt. Carl Mazzone
Louis Mazzone, SPX3-c
Cpl. Nick Mazzone
Sgt. Peter Mazzone
Frank Mazzulo, S1-c
Pvt. Henry Melari
Cpl. Michael Melfi, U.S.M.C.
Pfc. Alfred Melillo
Pfc. James Melillo
Pvt. Leonard Melillo
Pfc. Raymond Melillo *
Pvt. Patsy Mercurio
Pvt. Joseph Messuri **
2nd Lieut. John Messuri
Pvt. Edwin Miller
George Minello, U.S.N.
Pvt. John Minello
Pvt. Daniel Miranda
Cpl. Aldo Molina
2nd Lieut. Jack Molina
Pvt. Mario Molina
Cpl. Enrico Molinari
Gino Monai, F 1-c
Pvt. John Monteleone
Anth. Monte, A.M.M.I. 2-c
Pvt. Anthony Morelli
Cpl. Aldo Moretti
Pfc. Lino Moro

Anthony Negro, TM3-c
Corp. Lee Nicolas
Pvt. Nunzio Nero
Pvt. Michael Nero

Pvt. Lawrence Oberti
Pfc. Elmer O'Neil, U.S.M.C.
Lieut. James O'Reilly

Pvt. Carl Pacino
Cpl. Dante Palange
Cpl. Mario Palange
A.C. Dominic Palumbo
Pvt. Fred Palumbo
Cpl. Edward Paoletta
Pvt. Leonard Paradise
Pvt. Michael Paradise
Pvt. Joseph Paradise
Sgt. Emil Paoletta
Henry Paoletta, S2-c
Sgt. Joseph Paoletta
Michael Paoletta, S2-c
Pvt. Leonard Paoletta

Pfc. Nick Paoletta
 Pvt. O'Neil Paolucci
 Pvt. Silbert Paolucci
 Cpl. William Papay
 Pvt. Mike Papowniak
 Cpl. Albis Pascal
 Pvt. Leo Pascal
 Corp. Vito Pascale
 Norman Patten
 Sgt. Paul Pavia
 Pvt. Joseph Pavia
 Pvt. Egidio Pellegrin, U.S.M.C.
 Rudolph E. Perotti, S2-c
 Pvt. John Petrella
 Pvt. Richard Petrella
 Pvt. Frank Petrella
 S-Sgt. John Petric, Jr.
 T-Sgt. Steve Petruzzi
 Pvt. Angelo Pettiti *
 T-5 Peter Pettiti
 Michael Pettiti MM2-c
 Cpl. Mario Piastrelli
 Pvt. Silvio Pinali
 Cpl. John Piriggi
 Pfc. Frank Pironelli *
 Joseph Poalozzi, S 2-c
 Albert V. Pompei, S2-c
 Cpl. Benny Ponzani
 Pvt. Rocco Porcelli *
 Joseph Principato, S 2-c
 T-Sgt. Carl Principe
 Pvt. Paul Puleo
 Sgt. Ralph Puntel
 Sgt. Dominic Ragon

Pvt. Robert Ragone
 Michael Ramunni, F 1-c
 Pvt. Michael Reddish
 Cpl. Michael Riccardi
 Pvt. Albert Ricchetti
 Pvt. Paul Ricchetti
 Pfc. Carl Ricchetti
 A-C Augustine Raineri *
 Paul A. Ricchetti, MM3-c
 Cpl. Angelo Ricciardi
 Pfc. Philip Ricciardi
 H. Riccardi M.M.3-c
 Cpl. John Ripepi
 Pvt. Louis Ripepi
 Cpl. Louis Rizzo
 Sgt. Carl Rodano
 Pvt. Louis Rodano
 Pvt. Joseph Romeo
 Pvt. Raymond Ronzato
 Pvt. Paul Rubino
 Louis Rubio, MoMM3-c
 Sgt. Joseph Russo
 Pvt. Augustine Russo
 S-Sgt. James Rutti
 Pfc. James Rutti, Jr.
 Sgt. Rocco Rutti
 Pvt. Anthony Salvatore
 Henry Sabatis, S 2-c
 Romeo Sabatis, S 2-c
 Cpl. Frank Saccone
 T/3 Angelo Samssa
 Charles Sanckez SK 3-c
 Sgt. Nick Sanitato
 Pvt. Philip Santamaria

Cpl. Louis Sanders
 Pvt. Nick Santioemma
 S/Sgt. Jon Santosuosso
 Pvt. Guy Sanvido
 Cpl. Salvatore Saso
 Pvt. Joseph Scalia, U.S.M.C.
 Pfc. Sam Scaravelli
 Chester Scarci
 Pvt. Frank Scarpelli
 Pvt. John Scarpelli
 Pvt. Michael Scarpelli
 Victor Scarpelli Slc
 Victor Scarpelli, S3-c
 Gandolfo Schemmenti, M.M.2-c *
 Pvt. Joseph Schemmenti, U.S.M.C.
 Pvt. Michael Schemmenti
 Pvt. Nicholas Schmitz
 Pvt. Carl Scollo
 T-Cpl. Curly Scollo
 Carl Scollo, SC2-c
 Mike Seaman, S3-c
 Cpl. Louis Sforzo
 Pfc. John Simiele
 Cpl. Joseph Spinelli
 Pvt. Mike Spinelli
 Pvt. Carmen Stavole
 Pvt. Frank Stella
 Anthony Strizzi, M.S. 2-c
 Sgt. Frank Suglio
 Pvt. John Suglio
 1/Sgt. V. B. Tomozic
 Cpl. Sam Taromina
 Sgt. James Timateo
 Sgt. Victor Tobacco

Pvt. Guilo Tofanetti
 Pvt. Orlando Tonti
 Pfc. James Tortelli
 Nick Tortelli, F2-c
 Pvt. Albert Toscano
 Pvt. Joseph Toscano
 Pvt. Elio Toscano
 Cpl. Julius Trombetta
 Sl-c Mario Troncone
 Pfc. Sylvester Trunkett
 Louis Tubero PhM. 2-c
 Pfc. Eli Turchetto

Pfc. Adelbert Vellone
 Cpl. Augustine Viglione
 Donald Viglione, S2-c
 Cpl. Dominic P. Violini
 John Violini, U.S.N.
 Cpl. Mark Vulpio

Pvt. John Washelesky
 Sgt. Patsy Williams **

George Zaccaro *
 Joseph Zaccaro * U.S.N.
 Pvt. Michael Zaccaro **
 Thomas Zaccaro F1-c
 Pvt. Philip Zaccaro
 Sgt. Anthony Zanzano
 Pvt. Joseph Zannoni *
 Eddy Zatter, U.S.N. *
 Pvt. Secondino Zazzaro
 Pvt. Joseph Zazzaro
 S-Sgt. Michael Zona

STATISTICS

BAPTISMS:

Tilk, Charles Stephen
 Caravona, Mary Ella
 Gianvito, Gregory Gay
 Furio, Nicholas
 Dimitri, Frank James
 Russo, Don Joseph
 Pinali, Carol Frances

LaBianca, Frances Mary
 Toledo, Donald
 Rupp, Stewart Edward
 Trainor, Thomas Anthony
 Marzulli, Mary Ann
 Bommerlin, Diana Grace
 Bommerlin, Louis
 Grabowski, Leonard Michael
 Cotter, Patricia Marie
 DeRigo, Richard Paul

Pugliese, Gilbert
 Robaugh, Patricia Ann
 Costanzo Barbara Jean

DEAD:

Mrs. Anna Sardo
 Mrs. Mary Palazzo
 Izzo Nicandro
 Onofrio, DiPrima
 Augustino Pastore
 John Faenza

CLEVELAND SCENE

Believe it or not, the city of awful weather has become a competitor to Florida. November, the month of cold winds, reminds us of beautiful spring days. We hope it lasts! — The War Chest Drive was a success, oversubscribed by \$557,000. — The East Ohio Gas fire, which took 134 lives, and reduced the East Side of Cleveland from East 55th, East 61st from St. Clair to the Lake Front drive to a shambles, helped to inspire the people to greater donations. We gladly report that the East Ohio Gas Co. has decided to abandon the site, and remove this hazard from our community. — Now that elections are over, there is a lull, what with all the fast and furious speeches, arguments, etc., etc., we can all settle down a little now. — Or can we, with Christmas fast approaching, everyone making packages, rushing to town for gifts, children with their noses pressed against display windows in the downtown stores, looking at Santa in awe. — Cleveland proved itself again to be a city of opera lovers, by patronizing in good numbers the performances of the La Scala Opera Co. at the Public Auditorium, and the San Carlo Co. at the Masonic Hall. — Lovers of horse racing received a blow when the grandstand at Thistledown burned to the ground, the last night of the season. Luckily the paddocks and stables were spared and no lives lost. — "Roll your own" is again becoming the practice, the shortage of popular brands of cigarettes has caused many a smoker to revert to the art of rolling his own cigarettes. Some have even adopted the use of the good old corn cob. — Our fair city was designated as one of the most versatile in War Production, at least that is something. — Traffic deaths are under the score this year, in

comparison with last year. I wonder, does gas rationing have anything to do with it? And How! — St. Rocco's Commandery of the Knights of St. John had a dance for the benefit of the service men. — The St. Vincent de Paul Conference's Spaghetti and Chicken Dinner for the benefit of the poor was also a huge success. — The Blue Star Mothers entertained some wounded soldiers from Crile with a Spaghetti dinner, and the boys really enjoyed it. They also ran a Card Party to raise funds. — Our Lady of Mercy Sodality (young ladies), and Sante Catholic Union sponsored a Fall dance at the N. Italian Hall. — 83,627 saw Ohio State repulse Illinois, 26-12.

ST. ROCCO'S FEAST

The feast of St. Rocco was a wonderful success this year. Surprise! For once it did not rain on the Sunday of the procession. In fact, the weather, radiant and sunny, seemed to be just made for the occasion. A record crowd attended, and the procession, with the statue of St. Rocco on a splendid platform surrounded with flowers and little angels, wound through the usual route in the neighborhood. Naturally, there was a band this year, as in all the preceding years.

Rev. Fr. General Scotti also participated.

The Servicemen's Honor Roll was carried by two members of the Sante Catholic Club.

The bazaar started on Thursday night through to Labor Day. There were many novel and fun making stands and games, and everyone enjoyed themselves.

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES

★ MARIE
MANFREDI

CAMP SPOTLIGHTS: Capt. Frank Centanni (Infantry) is now in Phillipines — Somewhere in the S. Pacific is Cpl. Emil Faiella, Armor on B-29 — he repairs guns on planes. Mike Marconi S2-c is a Torpedo man on a submarine. Mike is now at a sub-base in New London, Conn. Recently he tied the knot with Marie Scott, who is with him. Pvt. Louis Marconi is somewhere overseas. T/Sgt. Curly Scollo has been overseas 2 years, and he is now a Radio man in Boui-ganville. Carl Scollo S.C.2-c brought his family home with him to visit his mother here, during his leave. His mother accompanied him back to Fla. In the Armd. F. A. Bn. somewhere overseas is Cpl. John Girardi. Pfc. Ray Battaglia is somewhere in France in the Artillery Div. Ray had better learn French otherwise he'll just have to keep on doing his own laundry. — In the Engineer Corps in New Guinea is Cpl. Nick Mazzone. Pvt. Carl Mazzone is now in Belgium. Mike Petitti M.M.2-c is enjoying the African climate. Victor D'Angelo S2-c is in Hawaii.

Cpl. Pat Cordisco is at Ft. Geo. G. Meade, Md. Sojourning at Keesler Field, Miss. is Pvt. L. A. Gangale, while Frank Gangale C.M.3-c is in Honolulu. In the Medical Corps at Fitzsimmons Gen. Hospital in Denver, Colo. is Pvt. Joe Paradiso. Edmund O'Aiuto, SK2-c U.S.C.G. has recently received a medical discharge. And we're also glad to see "Murphy" Schemmenti M.M.2-c home again, who has received a medical discharge too.

Pfc. Thomas Enia has just announced his engagement to Miss Lois Rych. Two other recent engagements are that of Alma Jean Paolozzi and Cpl. Jerry Francescangelo and Ann Costanzo and Vito Colonna, P.H.3-c. Cpl. Dom Violini is somewhere in France, and learning to speak French very well. Pfc. Edmund Cifani is now in England, and he is entertaining the boys in the hospitals, with his skilled accordion playing. Also in England is Pvt. Mario Grassi — his brother, Pfc. Tullio is somewhere in Belgium. Another New Guinea resident is Sgt. A. A. Gesualdo, who says that the natives are friendly, and most of them are Catholics.

We received an announcement concerning the Blessed Event in the home of Sgt. Alfred Gargano, and his English bride — somewhere in England. His name is Martin John. We wish S/Sgt. James DiCapo a speedy recovery. James has been in a hospital in India for several months now.

Cpl. Mike Antonelli has been to the Marshall Islands, Admiralty Islands — he builds runways for airfields. Sgt. Frank Glatzhofer is in the Marshall Islands. Pvt. Joe Furio, 25th Inf., has been in 2 major campaigns, New Georgia and Guadalcanal — thanks for the picture Joe. Sgt. Joe DiLuzio's wife Lucy spent the last few days with her husband at Columbia, S. C., before he was sent overseas. Sgt. Rocco DiLuzio is in England. Eddy DiLuzio is on submarine duty in England. Also in New Guinea is Daniel Indellicati and he's still trying to find someone he knows out there. It seems to me there are quite a few of our boys out there. Pfc. Anthony Dadante is in the Ord. Depot Co., in Iceland. Tony sent his picture, which was all right, and also a set of each Icelandic coin used there. They range from a hundredth of fifteen cents to a fraction over thirty cents. Mario Troncone, S1-c, has been to N. Africa, Tunisia, and Bizerte. Mario is engaged in convoy duty — but he does enjoy his liberties in N.Y.C.

We hear a rumor that Sgt. Frank Lonero is "that way" about a pretty Italian girl in Bari. Frank has seen his relatives and states that they have treated him royally.

Pvt. William De Florio is a Paratrooper at Fort Benning, Ga. and states being a paratrooper is right up his line.

T/Sgt. Steve Petruzzi has completed 30 missions. He has been over Germany 18 times, over the largest cities, and also has been to France, and Belgium. Stationed in Eng-

land, Steve is a Flight Engineer and Gunner on B-24 Liberator. He has been awarded the Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the E.T.O. ribbon with stars. He was home for 21 days recently, and was going to be reassigned from Miami, Fla.

Jerry Di'Donna has also received an honorable medical discharge. Pvt. Robt. Ragone is at Camp Fannin, Texas. Cpl. James Girardi is overseas in the 87th Cav. Recon. Trp. S/Sgt. Pat Caso has been awarded the Presidential Citation Air Medal. Also at Camp Fannin, Texas is Pvt. Carl Pacino. Frank Principato S1-c is on the U.S.S. Tennessee. Nick James Marchiano S3-c, home after his boot training, from Sampson, N. Y. Somewhere in France in the Infantry is Cpl. Joe Spinelli. Pvt. Anthony D'Ambrosio is engaged to Miss Ella Mary Robinson. Pvt. Henry Melari is in the Infantry, in Florida, and his wife is also there with him. Floyd Morano is at Ft. Bliss, Texas. At Boca Chico, Fla. is Jimmy Cristantielli, S1-c. Cpl. Mario Piastrelli works in the Signal Center, as a Teletype Operator. Lt. Jack Molina now at Camp Breckenridge, Ky. While Cpl. Jerry Francescangelo is at Ypsilanti, Mich. Pvt. Mike Schemment is an Aircraft Mechanic in "Grasshoppers". His brother Pvt. Vincent, is at Camp Fannin, Texas, Infantry.

Pvt. Salvatore Anguilano is an Aerial Gunner. He was home for the first time in 14 months. Was in Las Vegas, Nevada, and has now moved to Lincoln, Neb. Donald D'Aiuto S2-c is on a destroyer, and has the job of cook. Sgt. Vito DeBellis is in S. France, and says that the women shower them with flowers and kisses, which is all right by him. Two brothers, who had not seen each other for over a year, finally met, when Pvt. James Melillo came home from Calif., when his brother Ray was home. Cpl. Joseph Pavia is at Camp Stewart, Ga., working in Recreation, while his brother Paul has gone overseas again. Sgt. Sam Taormina is now in Italy. Former WAC Pfc. Theresa Camerata, is now the mother of a baby boy and is now home with her parents. Cpl. Joe Girardi is taking in Belgium these days. Louis Rubio, MoM.M3-c was on the convoy that accompanied President Roosevelt on one of his famous trips. Cpl. Eurico Molinari is also in France. Cpl. Pat Gagliardi is near home, at Crile Hospital, we wish him a speedy recovery from his stomach ailment. Cpl. Mario Palange is now in Holland, and has received the Bronze Star. John Messuri has been promoted to the rank of 1st Lt. Pfc. Dominic Mamone is at Camp Claiborne, La., in the Medical Corps.

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT: These proud papas were home to welcome the blessed event:

Pvt. Sam Brooks — boy. S2-c Mike Seiman — boy.
Pvt. Nick Schmitz — boy. Pfc. Bob Collins — girl.

And of course we congratulate their respective wives!!!

Back from Saipan recently, looking hale and hearty, was Vito Colonna P.H. 3-c. Vito has been in the invasion on Attu in Alaska, in England, and Australia. Vito takes care of the wounded servicemen, after they have established a beach head.

August V. Bruno S1-c has also been to Saipan. Gus has been in 3 invasions, Gilberts, Marshalls, and is a gunner on a merchant vessel. He has been overseas 15 months.

T/Sgt. Frank Antonucci, who was one of our first boys to go overseas, returned home for 21 days recently. Frank has been in England, and North Africa — and has been across for 2½ years. He received the citation for the

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Ploesti Mission (Oil Fields, in Rumania.) Frank is now stationed at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

Wedding bells rang for the first WAC of our parish. 1/Sgt. V. Marion Ballare was married to Cpl. John Tomazic at St. Rocco's Church. Her sister, Mrs. Ralph Crisafi, was maid of honor, while the bridegroom's brother was best man. Marion is now somewhere in Europe.

Sgt. Joseph Paoletta and WAC Sgt. Mary Mitchell tied the knot at Camp in N. C. A surprise reception was given for them at the N. Italian Hall, by his parents, when they came here for their honeymoon.

Sgt. Michael Altier and Bernice Girardi were married recently at St. Rocco's Church. Sgt. Emil Paoletta was best man, and Miss Lena Paoletta was maid of honor. Reception was at N. Italian Hall.

When Fred Guzzo and Claudia Cianfarani middle-aisled it recently, they were fortunate in having Fred's brother, Cpl. Tommy, home to participate in the wedding party. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Cianfarani were best man, and maid of honor, respectively. The reception was held at Hotel Cleveland, in the Empire Room.

Vito Amato S1-c and Mary Mazzarella became man and wife recently. Vito's brother Luigi was best man. Reception was held at Swiss Hall.

The oldest member of our parish, Mr. August Pastore, whom everyone fondly called "Zi Augustino", passed away at the age of 93. He was the father of Mrs. Julia Girardi, Mrs. Antoinette Gianvito, and Mrs. Mary Sfogliia.

WOUNDED IN ACTION

Cpl. Andy Lonero was wounded in France July 13. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pasquale Lonero, 3320 Clark Ave., have been notified that their son was awarded the Purple Heart. Cpl. Lonero participated in three major battles since going overseas last December. He is now recuperating at Wakeman General Hospital, Camp Atterbury, Indiana.

Pvt. Mike Spinelli has been wounded twice in action. The first time in France on October 4, and the second time in Germany, October 13. In the Infantry, Pvt. Spinelli has been overseas since last June. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spinelli, have been notified that their son has merited the Purple Heart. As yet, they have received no other word concerning Pvt. Spinelli.

Pvt. Albert D'Ambrosio, in the Second Marines, was wounded in Saipan August 8. Since going overseas last January, Pvt. D'Ambrosio has been in two major battles. We are happy to note here that Albert is reported as "doing all right."

Pfc. Peter D'Ambrosio, in the Engineers, was wounded in Italy. He has been in three major battles, Tunisia, Africa, and Sicily, since his departure for overseas, January '43. It is good to report that Pfc. D'Ambrosio is also getting along fine, according to his wife, (the former Angela Dedon).

Pvt. James J. Cappellia was wounded trying to save his buddy. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cappellia, 3540 Trent Ave., announced that their son, James, 25 had been wounded by Jap bullets on Biak Island, in the South Pacific. Pvt. Cappellia entered service in Nov., 1942, going overseas last January. He is now in a Base Hospital.

Sgt. Rudy Bergantino, stationed in England, Waist and Tail Gunner on B-17 Flying Fortress, was wounded while on a mission over Germany. Sgt. Bergantino was awarded the Aid Medal, Purple Heart, and Presidential Unit Citation, and was on 11 missions. Happy to be home for 25 days, Rudy said that he was to report to Miami, Florida, before being reassigned, and said that he really felt good.

Pfc. Joseph Gargano, in the Armoured Infantry, was wounded in Germany, September 18. While in a hospital in England, the Red Cross got in touch with his brother, Alfred, who is stationed there. It was a happy reunion for

the two brothers. Pfc. Joseph Gargano met his sister-in-law for the first time, and also his brand new nephew. Sgt. John Ripeppi was godfather at the Christening.

Pvt. Frank Felice was wounded in France, and was overseas six months. He remained in a hospital for some time, and then came home for a few weeks. Pvt. Felice is now at Wakeman General Hospital, Camp Atterbury, Indiana. He has been awarded the Purple Heart.

Pfc. John Suglio's parents, 3243 West 32 St., were notified that their son had been wounded in France, and had received the Purple Heart. John is now well enough to be back in the thick of it again.

Pfc. Ray Melillo has just received an Honorable Medical Discharge. As you all will recall, Ray was wounded at the Anzio Beachhead, and received the Purple Heart. After spending some time at a hospital in Naples, Ray came home for 22 days, after which he went to Miami, Florida for a short time. It was there that Ray received his discharge. It certainly is nice having another one of our boys home again.

Cpl. Don Brucchieri as you all know was wounded at Mt. Cassino. He was interned in a hospital as Casserta for a while, and then to Newton D. Baker's Hospital, W. Va. From there has been sent to Fletcher's General Hospital, Cambridge, Ohio. Don was home on several week end passes, and is well on the road to recovery. Recently, wedding bells rang for Don and Miss Carmela Blandino at St. Rocco's Church. They are now together at Lake Placid, N. Y.

"And it is from our casualty list that we as a nation must make the high resolve so to defeat our mortal enemys, that never again can they or any one else threaten the world."

—Henry J. Taylor.

CHURCH BURNS MORTGAGE

St. Rocco's has completed, what many believed to be, an impossible task. We, as a Parish, are free from all debt, notwithstanding, the recent acquisition of the adjacent property, formerly belonging to the Muscarella family, consisting of dwellings, and stores on Fulton Rd.

There was much rejoicing in the thought that St. Rocco's was actually burning the church mortgage. The joy, however, was tempered with sadness, when we thought of our many boys far away from home, who could not be with us to participate in our joy. Our thoughts were with you boys throughout the campaign. You are sacrificing yourselves on the field of battle, so that we may enjoy the benefits of Freedom of Worship. It is therefore our duty to maintain the home front of our religion.

May God grant an early Victory, and lasting peace, so we may begin our work on the new church. We must pledge ourselves to this work, and dedicate the task to our valiant heroes, who gave their lives on the battlefield. Our success was due to God's blessings combined with your prayers, and the wonderful spirit of cooperation demonstrated*by all.

The Blue Star Mothers wish to thank the following in helping out and making it possible for them to mail Christmas packages to all our boys.

Rev. Fr. S. Gattuso	\$200.00
Sacred Family Sodality	25.00
N. Italian Women's Auxiliary	25.00
Neicatterese Club	15.00
Sons of Italy	10.00
Faetano Society	10.00
Italian American Mothers Club	10.00
Lady of Mercy Sodality (girls)	5.00
Sante Catholic Union	10.00
Knights of St. John	10.00



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LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

ST. ROCCO'S

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HOPEFUL THAT OUT OF THE HUMAN SUFFER AND SACRIFICE WILL COME A RIGHT

The Star of Bethlehem, shining down upon a war-torn world, finds us moving slowly but steadily forward. In these days we may sometimes doubt the essential justice of things. We know there is no need of despair, as long as millions of free people retain and respect the teachings of Him whose birth we honor on Christmas.

Christmas in the day when softly peeling bells — inspiring words and music — bring cheer, courage and renewed faith to everyone. Christmas is mankind's bond of hope, and only through honoring Christ's birth and following His teachings will enduring peace become a reality upon the earth.

Most important this Christmas, we remember the sons and daughters of America who battle and give their lives to preserve the Christian ideals of our country. For them we offer our prayers and deepest gratitude.

On December 11, 1944, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Grassi received official word that their son, Pvt. Tullio Grassi, age 20, was killed in action in Germany on November 22, 1944.

It was on November 27, that his parents received a letter from him, which was undated, wherein he stated that he was fine. He mentioned that living conditions were pretty good considering the fact that he was in the fighting area. It was also in this letter that he told of having spent his twentieth birthday in a foxhole. His only request was that he be remembered in their prayers.

Pvt. Tullio was inducted into the Army on March 30, 1944 and received his basic training at Camp Fannin, Texas. His only furlough was in the latter part of August, 1944. Immediately following this furlough he was sent overseas — France. Later he was sent to Holland, and then Germany, when he met his death. No details have been received, as yet, concerning his death.

Everyone will remember Tullio as a gay and carefree lad who would always greet people with a smile. His sense of humor won him many friends. He was one of Father Gattuso's "babies" from St. Rocco's elementary school. He graduated from Holy Name High School in June, 1942.

Besides his parents, Tullio is survived by two brothers and a sister — Cpl. Mario Grassio, age 21, somewhere in



Pfc. Floyd J. Morano, 20, has been reported as missing in action in Germany since November 29, the War Department notified his mother, Mrs. M. Morano, 3404 Walton Ave. on Dec. 18. A native of Clymer, Pa., Pfc. Morano attended schools there. He worked at the Red Star Products and entered service on July 21, 1943.

With the infantry, Pfc. Morano went overseas last September. He has a brother, Seaman Albert, in the South Pacific; two other brothers, James A. and Anthony J., and three sisters, Ida, Mary and Mrs. Jennie Testa.

Pfc. Morano was last heard from in a letter dated Nov. 28, written in Germany.

GERMAN PRISONER:

Sgt. Biaggio Valore, 23, husband of Rose (nee Ferruggia) was reported as missing in action on Dec. 27, while on a mission. A week later his wife Rose was notified by the War Department that Sgt. Valore was a German prisoner.

A Turret Gunner on a B-24, Sgt. Valore went overseas last September, and has been in the Army one year.

A graduate of East Technical High School, Sgt. Valore worked for the McKinley Tool Co. He was a member of Holy Family Church.

England, and Irma and Joe, (twins) age 8. A memorial Mass in his honor will be celebrated Sunday, January 21st.

WOUNDED IN ACTION

PFC. HARRY DeMARCO, 23, an infantryman, was wounded during action on Leyte in the Philippines, the War Department notified his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Angelo DeMarco, 3702 Walton Ave. Pfc. DeMarco a graduate of West Technical High School, attended Miami University before entering the Army in May, 1943. He was a member of an ASTP and was later transferred to the infantry. He was sent overseas in July, 1944. Harry is now at home enjoying a well deserved furlough.

LT. JOHN MESSURI, 25, (Infantry) was wounded in action November 18, in Germany, the War Department notified his parents Mr. and Mrs. Messuri, 3521 Sackett Ave. This is the second time Lt. Messuri has been wounded, but we are happy to report that he is now fully recuperated. State University before entering the Army.

He has been awarded the Purple Heart and the Oak Leaf Cluster. Overseas 20 months, Lt. Messuri has been in N. Africa, Sicily, England, France and Belgium. He is a graduate of West Technical High School, and attended Kent

PFC. ANTHONY DEL PAGGIO 21, sustained shell fragment wounds during action in France on November 23, the War Department notified his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cosimo Del Paggio, 3518 Marvin Ave. Pfc. Del Paggio, an infantry soldier, entered the service in March, 1943, and was sent overseas in September, 1944. He is now convalescing in a hospital in England, and is reported as doing fine. He is a graduate of West Technical High School, and was employed by the J. C. Ulmer Co. His sister, Marine Private Jennie, is stationed in San Diego, California.

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EDITORIAL

O wondrous Star of Bethlehem! A star shone bright high in the heaven on that first Christmas, nineteen hundred and forty four years ago. It was a new star in the sky, a brighter star than any that had ever graced the heavens with light and beauty.

The poor shepherds, tending their flocks, gazed in wonder at this new marvel in the heavens. They wondered what sort of an omen it could be. They wondered if it could mean an end to the turmoil, that had been Jerusalem, an end to the tyranny and persecution from their rulers. But as they silently tended their flocks, they heard a rustling, as of wings, and a voice out of the heavens saying "Rejoice all ye men of Good Will, for the Christ Child, The Messiah, is born." The angels directed the poor shepherds towards the star that shone so brightly on high, that would guide them to Their Savior. There in a humble manger, the Prince of Peace was awaiting the arrival of all men.

There has been much strife and suffering since that day, just as there is today throughout the world. However, it seems that with the rebirth of the Child Jesus, peace prevails. If not the peace of the material world, at least a peace in our hearts. A peace that comes from the knowledge that no matter how dreary and forlorn things may seem, that it will always be shining to a glorious future, to a time when peace and happiness will reign over the entire world.

This Christmas is more significant than the previous one, in that victory is in view, and the time is drawing nearer when we will all be together again to enjoy peaceful holidays. Let us hope and pray that the Star that shines in the heavens on this Christmas Day, will shine as a symbol of peace—the kind of peace that our Good Lord intended, when he said "Peace on earth to men of good will."

Pastor's Message

My dear boys:

I gladly join our Gazetteers in wishing you a very happy Christmas and new year. You may easily guess what our prayers and wishes are for 1945 Christmas: Peace on earth to all men of good will, with the complete triumph of **Charity and Truth, Justice and Peace**, as the saintly king David says in one of his psalms. If we will have a different kind of peace then we should repeat the words of the Right Reverend Mons. Sheen: "the Third World war has been declared, which God prevent."

I had in mind to write a circular letter only for you, our beloved soldiers, and give you a complete account of our dear Parish of St. Rocco. But you must believe me when I tell you that lack of time has prevented me from doing so. So I take this opportunity to do it in a shorter but complete way.

The year 1944 has marked another year of progress in the history of our parish. This progress has been both spiritual and material. More and more people are realizing (and act accordingly) that we cannot stay away from God. Greater attendance at Mass and Holy Communion has been a consoling reality. All our people are feeling the urge of this happy return to God and religion. **Our men's Sodality**, under the active and firm leadership of Mr. Vito Di Fino has shown the way. Monthly meetings, quarterly Communion and monthly Holy Hour devotion are the main spiritual activities. On the feast day of Our Blessed Mother of Mercy they surprised our beloved Bishop Hoban by going to Holy Communion in such a large number. Your pastor can count on them any time for help.—**The Holy Family Sodality**, which unites our Mothers under the protection of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, under the guidance of Mrs. Manfredi, has been, as usual, the exemplar of all the other groups. Social and spiritual activities have been their lot. Many other ladies have joined during 1944; others will and should during 1945.—**Our Knights of St. John** are keeping their ranks tight and do a splendid work in keeping in touch with their members in the armed forces and with the rest of the boys who are doing their part towards the U. S. A.—**Our Young Ladies' Sodality**, in a quiet and modest way, are giving a deep and sincere spirit of christian piety with their spiritual life and with the help they give whenever they are requested. Some of them are the very active Gazetteers who make this monthly paper possible. Many more young women of the parish have joined. Plans of greater activity are being made for the new year 1945.—A fine group of men are the members of our **Conference of St. Vincent De Paul**. They are not many, eight in all, but their work reaches the heart and needs of our needy parishioners. I can say that through these men, under the inspiring leadership of Mr. Anthony Russo, a worthy successor to our unforgettable Anthony Manfredi, we have taken care of all the cases which needed help, either spiritual, moral or material. Marriages have been rectified, people have been visited at their homes or hospitals and have been helped otherwise. Hundreds of dollars were spent by them in taking care of the poor of the parish. A generous cash grant was given to all the poor of the parish at Christmas time.—**The young Sante Catholic Union**, composed of young boys, has grown steadily and has been very active in the year 1944. They have helped the church with their social activity and ascribed quite a few of its members in the armed forces. They have their own club house in the newly acquired property.—Very flourishing during the school days are the groups of the **Holy Name** for boys, of **St. Agnes** and **Children of Mary** for younger girls.—**Our Blue Star Mothers Club** is doing a very fine work towards you,

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CHRISTMAS IN CLEVELAND, 1944

Thanksgiving Day was spent by most of us putting in a good day's work at our war plant jobs, to help speed the day of Victory. The turkey was spared until the evening meal. — G. I. Joe's favorite comedian, Bob Hope, was in town with his gang for the Press Christmas Fund Show. Public Hall and Music Hall were both jammed to the doors. Tickets were sold out on the second day of the sale. Of course the show was a great success. — Crowds downtown shopping for those Christmas presents. Looks like a troop ship leaving port. Room enough for breathing only.—Sante Catholic Union are sponsoring a semi-formal dance at Swiss Hall for the benefit of St. Rocco's Church on Dec. 23. — Fr. S. Gattuso is planning a Christmas party for Servicemen home on furlough, on December 26th in the evening. Wish you were all here to enjoy it. The details are being arranged by members of Our Lady of Mercy Sodality, and Knights of St. John. — Did it snow last night? Only 9 in. of nice white snow. Many suburban and some of the city schools were closed. Transportation was tied up, and many people were late for work. — Plans are going forward for widening and extending Chester Ave. This is a much needed improvement. When completed, it should be a thoroughfare comparable to Carnegie Ave. — Post-war planning—under consideration is a subway system for Cleveland Transit System, especially through the downtown district. They decided they had better take the street cars under ground before the overload sinks them without a subway. Passengers threaten to use old ties for strap hangers, but they can't even find places to hang them. There is very little danger of falling however — (packed too tight) — Also under consideration is a downtown airport near the site of old Lakeside Hospital. Congress has appropriated \$400,000.00 for construction of new and improvement of the old air laboratory at Cleveland Airport. Our airport is something to boast about, and getting better every day.—Mrs. Petrarca, mother of first Cleveland hero to receive posthumously the Congressional Medal of Honor, was off for Superior, Wis. to witness the launching of a ship named in his honor. Frank Petrarca was a member of St. Marian's Parish, and attended school there. — Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Mission, Detroit Ave., is putting on a drive to raise \$10,000.00 towards a new church after the war. They

purchased property on the corner of West 70th and Detroit Ave. a few years ago — lots of luck. — Parmada burned its mortgage recently. Bishop Hoban officiate with hosts of alumni present. — The Christmas spirit evident round and about, although not in an abundance as in previous years. You see the same crowds watching the animated displays in store windows. This is supposed to be for the enjoyment of the youngsters, but plenty of old folks can be seen there also. Holly, mistletoe, and Christmas trees are prominent everywhere. The stores are decorated for the holidays, and everyone is furiously buying Christmas gifts. — The civic organizations are planning Christmas Parties for the needy, and the sick. The Press is putting on a drive to create a fund for distributing presents, meals, and Christmas cheer to the Servicemen coming through Cleveland on Christmas Day. All this to take place at the U.S.O. in Terminal.—Last but not least are the preparations in order for the Midnight Mass at St. Rocco Church. The Crib of the Infant Jesus will be resplendent as in former years in our church, on this Holy day of Christmas. Everyone is looking for pre-war materials etc., to make better Christmas presents, BUT, the thing most sought after is a prewar Christmas with peace and Happiness for all.

MERRY CHRISTMAS, AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Let the **GAZETTE** be our answer to your most welcome letters. We regret that we do not have the time to answer you all individually, but we want you to continue to write us. Please inform us of any change in your address, so that the Gazette can follow you — also let us know what you are doing. We thank you for writing, and urge more of you to do so, for your buddies would like to know about you too.

Mothers, wives and sweethearts please help with the addresses of the boys in service. Send us their latest address also if you hear of any one who does not receive the Gazette refer them to anyone on our staff.



UP-TO-DATE FLASHES

Marie
Manfredi

ACROSS THE POND:

Paul A. Ricchetti M. M. 2c is somewhere in the southwest Pacific, and would like his buddies to know that he has a beautiful nine month old daughter. Paul has just seen her once for two days. — Cpl. Anthony Ducato is somewhere in France. — Pvt. Leonard P. Leona says he can't disclose where he is, but it's somewhere over the equator. He has also been to Pearl Harbor. — Also in France are Pfc. Tony Amaddio and Pfc. Mario Giancaterino. — Cpl. Sy DeCesare is on an island in the Pacific and met two of his former football mates from West Tech, one of them was Jim Nieman. — In Tank Destroyer Div. in France is Pfc. Vito Brucchieri. — John Brucchieri SK3c, on the U.S.S. Lamar, was in the invasion of Guam and Leyte. — An Ack Ack Gunner in France in Anti Aircraft is Pvt. Phillip Enia, and Sgt. Joe Russo is another lad in France. — Pvt. Nicholas Santoiemma is in Italy acting as interpreter to officers in charge of the A.M.G. He's in the Province of Bari, and spending Christmas with his relatives. — Albert Morano S1c is somewhere in the S. Pacific.

Two brothers met in Belgium—it was a happy reunion for Cpl. Aldo, and 1st Lt. Jack Molina. — Pfc. Ivo Cioletti is in Luxemburg in T. D. Bn. — Taking in the French countryside is Pfc. Henry Ferrini. — Enrico Cortelezzi S2c is stationed on an Aircraft Carrier somewhere in the Pacific. — In New Caledonia is Pvt. Joe Furio, who says he gets along fine with the French. — Pvt. Leonard Melillo has seen quite a bit of France, and thinks the French girls are O. K.! He says that they can get wine, beer, cognac, and plenty of champagne, and it isn't expensive either. — Pfc. Carmen Stavale is in 1st Air Cargo Control Sq. in S. Pacific. — Somewhere in England, is Cpl. Nick Sanitato. — Pfc. John Larussa, in France, (infantry) complains that Cognac is quite scarce, after the ravages of the Kraut. (He and Lenny Melillo ought to get together on this situation, don't you think?). — Sgt. Caspar Marconi is the proud papa of a baby boy — Caspar is in Germany now.

Capt. Art D'Alessandro, M.D., is in Germany, behind the front lines performing his duties. — Sgt. Anthony Ferretti, U.S.M.C., is now in Hawaii. — Sgt. Joe Coniglio is in Europe in the Infantry. — Pvt. Louis Anelli is in the Aleutians — has been for a year. — Cpl. Sam Durante is in France, and says there are beautiful women there too — but he's still holding out.

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

Pfc. Eddie D'Alessandro is pursuing his civilian profession — that of librarian at Drew Field, Tampa, Fla. — Cpl. G. Cozzarin is at Yuma, Arizona. — Cpl. Michael Riccardi is the proud papa of a baby boy, Michael Jr. In fact, we received a Xmas Card with the photograph of Cpl. and Mrs. Riccardi with the new addition of the family. They are all at Ardmore, Okla. — Pvt. Joe Grassi, is at Camp Polk, La. — We hear that Frank Cocchiarale, P.O.2c has tied the knot. — Pfc. Peter Favino is in the 3rd Infantry at Ft. Benning, Ga. — Pvt. Joe Indelicati was married to Miss Elsie Talafusi, at Victoria, Texas. His father, Mr. John Indelicati, was present at the wedding. — Miss Rose Pavia and Pvt. Edward Gross were married at camp in S. C. recently. Pvt. Gross is now in England. — Charles Fusco U.S.N. is in the Medical Corps and likes it very much. Irene (Forchione) Almasi went to visit her husband Mike Almasi M. M. 3c in N. Y. for the holidays. Mike Seiman S2c is stationed in Miami, Fla.

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT

Home for Christmas, and happy about it too, were: Pfc. James Tortelli, Pvt. Joe Paradise, Charles Sanchez SK3c, S/Sgt. Frank Antonucci, Pfc. Sam Calandra, Pfc. Peter Favino, Pvt. Wm. DeFlorio, Sgt. Rocco Rutti, Sgt. Ed Kelley, Pfc. James Melillo, Cpl. Peter Ferretti, Joseph Poalozzi, S2c, John Camodeco WT 2c, Cpl. Joe Enia, John Ciliberti AMM3c, Pfc. Alphonse Ciccone, Tony Monte A.M.M. 1.2c. — Vito Anelli, Chas. Fusco U.S.N., Pvt. Mike Paradise, Pvt. Leonard Paradise, Pvt. Frank Stella, Sgt. Sam Bonfiglio.

On December 26th, Rev. Fr. S. Gattuso gave a Christmas Party for all our servicemen home for the holidays, and also the discharged men. The arrangements for the affair were made by Our Young Ladies of Mercy Sodality, and Knights of St. John. The wives and sweethearts of the servicemen were also invited. A grand time was had by all — buffet supper was served, dancing etc. We all regret that it was impossible to have ALL of our boys participate.

John Camodeco WT 2c, was home after 13 months in the S. Pacific. He was in the invasion of Saipan, Guam, and Tinian. John said it was grand being home after being away for some time.

We hear that Mrs. H. Bell (Rita Melillo) has given birth to a baby girl, Rita Louise. The Bells are residing in Los Angeles, Calif.

Joseph Principato S2c was married recently to Miss Geraldine Zambrone at St. Rocco's Church. Reception was held at N. Italian Hall.

John Ciliberto AMM3c was home, after 13 months overseas, on a 30 days leave. "Midge" has been in Africa, England, and is anxious to get back. Pvt. Joe Diciolla was with him for 3 days while overseas. Midgie was fortunate in seeing his brother Patsy for one day, during his leave.

Pvt. Sam Brooks was home on an emergency furlough recently, when his father was ill.

Pfc. Ignatius De Salvo, U.S.M.C. was home recently from Camp Pendleton — his wife Ada has returned to California with him.

Michael J. Ramunni MM3c has been awarded a Citation from the U. S. Navy, for continued outstanding performance of duty as a member of the crew of the U.S.S. Nields. Mike has been on assaults on Sicily, S. France, 4 submarine engagements, defense missions on west coast of N. Italy, and special bombardment missions off S. France. "Your performance of duty has been in accordance with the highest traditions of the Naval Service."

Miss Julia Paris and Pfc. Ray Tuccillo were engaged Thanksgiving Day.

The Blue Star Mothers Club offered Midnight Mass Christmas Eve for our Servicemen and for the peace of the world. The Club attended Mass in a body, and received Holy Communion.

St. Rocco's church was resplendent in all the yuletide decorations. The crib of the Infant Jesus in its usual place, was as beautiful as always. There were 2 Masses on Christmas Eve, Solemn High in the church proper, and Low Mass in Church Hall. The church was filled to capacity, plus.

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Pfc. Alphonse Ciccone is certainly happy to be back home in the States again. He has been in the Army for four years, and overseas 34 months. Pfc. Ciccone was in the first convoy of American troops that went overseas. He has been in Ireland, Scotland, England, Africa and Italy.

Alphonse has seen plenty of action, was always in the front lines, and was in three major battles — the Tunisian Campaign, Italian Invasion, and Battle of Anzio. Pfc. Ciccone was in the Quartermaster Division, as driver for personnel of the Fifth Army.

He drove in the convoy for the King and Queen of England, in Ireland, Africa, and Italy. He also saw Churchill, and talked and shook hands with Ernie Pyle, in Ireland.

Alphonse is now stationed at Ft. Niagara, N. Y. as an M. P.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

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materially, morally and spiritually. They sent packages to you, have a high Mass said for you every month and had the solemn midnight Christmas Mass and Communion of all its members offered for you.

During the year 1944 we had: 144 baptisms, 47 first Holy Communions, 48 marriages, four converts, 56 dead. Our share in the war has been: 8 killed in action, prisoners, missing. We are surely doing our part. Three young women are in the WAC. Many of the marriages have been among our men in the armed forces.

On the material side of its life our parish has advanced splendidly. A campaign was held in August, after a lengthy preparation, to raise funds to pay off the parish mortgage. In a little less than a month over \$16,000.00 were so generously contributed by all our people, all, less a meaningless number. The members of the committee, representing all our people, worked marvelously well. On September 11 the debt was paid off. On September 21 your parish spent \$16,000.00 for the purchase of the Muscarella property. The total receipts of your parish went over the \$50,000.00 mark. We have \$12,845.31 for the new church building. The new year has started far better than 1944. Pray that your pastor may have some extra \$20,000.00 at his disposal for some other project he has in mind for the complete development of his plans for the future of the parish.

All in all, as you can see, we have all reasons to thank God for His many and rich benefits.

My dear boys, we are getting ready to welcome you home, to help you when you will be back. Our parish will not let you down at all. Your sacrifices are well appreciated! we are with you every moment, we pray and hope for your spiritual and material welfare. A committee will be organized shortly with a vast program of what can be done best for you on the blessed day when we will be together again. Until then let's all do our share.

God bless you and keep you.

Yours as ever,

Fr. S. Gattuso, O.D.M., Pastor.



"Twas the night before Christmas,
And all thru the house,
Not a soul there was stirring,
Not even a mouse."

We all recognize this as that familiar little Christmas poem we learned as children, even before we started school.

It is a little early in the evening, however, and as we walk down the street, we peek in at a window from where we have heard sounds of music. We know that the Christmas spirit prevails, because, we see that family grouped around the piano singing those familiar and loved Christmas Carols.

We move towards the next home, and we see a couple busily trimming the Christmas tree, and placing the many gifts around. As they work, they anticipate the joyous expressions of the children when they arise the next morning, and open their presents.

Grandma is probably in the kitchen putting the last touches to the huge turkey, so it will be ready for roasting in the morning.

Throughout these preparations, we know there is something lacking. Yes, our boys are far away from home. Scattered over the four corners of the globe, probably at this moment they sing the same Holy Hymns and Carols, as we are. Next year, we pray to God that we'll all be together again to wish each other a Very Merry Christmas.

The Gazetteers Club takes this occasion to wish each and everyone of you a Very Merry Christmas, and the best of everything for the New Year!

OUR NEW YEAR'S WISH

We, of the Gazetteers Club, wish that the new year will bring us such Peace and Happiness, that these past four years of turmoil shall seem as a dim memory of a troubled distant past.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

We see approaching us a bent, wizened old man, leaning heavily on his staff. He is battered and worn, and bears many a scar. He carries something in his hand, which on closer inspection, we find to be an hour glass. Then we realize that the old man is none other than the Year 1944, who has very near run out his time, and is preparing for his final bow.

His has been a hard lot. He came into a world full of turmoil, and is leaving it a little worse for wear, but with many hopes for progress. Yes, the tide is ebbing for 1944, but what do we see behind him? A youngster jauntily clad in three-cornered pants and top hat, also carrying an hour glass. Lo! and behold! it is 1945, THE NEW YEAR, full of hope, promise and vitality. He brings a promise of peace, prosperity, and good health.

We welcome you "1945", and promise to do all in our power together with God's help and blessing, to help you keep your promises. We feel certain that if we all pull together, we will achieve our goal.

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYBODY!!



LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

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"I Pledge Allegiance To My Flag"

Little did we dream, when as children we chanted those familiar phrases, that many of our boys would be subjected to the sufferings and rigors of a turmoil, such as the world is undergoing today. Little did we realize that it meant that mothers, wives, and sweethearts would live anxiously through their day with that one fear in their minds of receiving a telegram with that terse greeting "The War Department, or the Navy Department regrets to inform you..." Words that mean that someone's son has either paid the supreme sacrifice, or perhaps is missing in action, or wounded. Words that fill the heart with anguish, or leave just a ray of hope for that Mother who keeps on anxiously awaiting for that letter from her boy, saying he is safe and will soon return.

Yet, we know that we did not pledge our allegiance just

for this. We pledged our allegiance for the right to live unmolested, in a land that grants every freedom to live and work as we feel. Allegiance to a land that is showered in abundance with God's Blessings. A land from whose very bowels man has retrieved the greatest riches imaginable. Riches that enable us to live a life of ease and opportunity, and enjoy the comforts of a land that gives us the liberty to worship as we see fit, to pray to God, each in our own way for His Blessings, a land that was colonized principally by the Pilgrims, for this freedom of worship. Let us, therefore, renew our allegiance to this flag, and join in prayer that Almighty God in His Infinite Wisdom will grant us peace to enable us to enjoy His abundant gifts — to this flag — and the country for which it stands.

S/SGT. MICHAEL ZONA

Mrs. Mary Zona has been notified by the War Department that her husband Michael Zona has been reported missing in action since Dec. 21, 1944.

Michael, who began his schooling at St. Stephen's Parochial School, is a graduate of West High School and attended John Carroll University for three years. He was employed at Westinghouse Electric Co., prior to his induction on July 16, 1942.

Michael was stationed at camp Atterbury, Ind. with the Artillery division.

Sept. 23, 1944 he married Miss Mary Constantino of 1324 W. 65th St., at St. Rocco's Church. After short furlough, he left with his bride for Camp Atterbury. They were together for a period of two weeks, at a port of embarkation which he left during November.

He crossed the English Channel to Europe and arrived at the western front about Dec. 16 and after 5 days of furious fighting he was reported missing in action. He was attached to the 106th Infantry division which bore the brunt of the German counter offensive.

In a letter to his mother Mrs. Elizabeth Zona of 1335 W. 65th St., dated Dec. 13, he wrote of going through Belgium. He described the pitiful condition of the people there, he wrote that the German people were not as friendly as other Europeans but that his group had found a farmer he brought them milk and firewood daily but he thought they might accidentally shoot a cow so as to provide themselves with fresh meat.

He asked his mother to persist in her prayers for him

as the ground was cold but it was quite hot with shell fire above them.

Michael Zona was at one time a member of the Knights of St. John and a familiar figure at St. Rocco's.

Michael has a brother Cpl. John Zona with an infantry division somewhere in France.

WOUNDED IN ACTION

ROMEO SABBATIS S2c: Word was received by Mrs. C. Sabbatis that her son Romeo suffered burns while in action in the South Pacific. Romeo enlisted in the Navy Oct. 1942, and after completing his boot training, was sent overseas in the Atlantic.

Last reports were that he was improving, and on his way to recovery. He was fortunate in being able to meet his brother Henry, A.O.M.3c, who is also in the Pacific, and were able to spend Christmas together.

His last furlough was during the Christmas Season in 1943. Besides his brother Henry, Romeo has two brothers-in-law in the Service, Phillip Smith, P.O.1c, and Cpl. Edward Cotter.

Pvt. Alfred Caputo was wounded in action in Germany about three months. After spending sometime convalescing in a hospital in England, we are happy to report that he has fully recovered and has returned to action on the Western Front.

Pvt. Caputo was awarded the Purple Heart.

GERMAN PRISONER

Mrs. M. Morano has joyfully reported that she has received two cards from her son Pfc. Floyd J. Morano that he is prisoner of war in Germany.

Floyd had been reported missing in action on November 29th.

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EDITORIAL

The long arduous heartbreaking year of 1944 is behind us. We, on the home front, have endured our mild hardships, while the boys on the various fronts have endured the various hardships which every serviceman undergoes. We have much to rejoice about, because we have done ourselves honor on the field of battle, advancing to a point where victory is assured us in the not too distant future.

A greater proof of our assured victory is the prodigious effort put forth by our boys, especially on the Western Front, in driving the enemy back, after their recent gains. Also, on the Pacific front, where we can proudly say that Our Flag now flies over Manila.

We are now on the threshold of a new year, and already you can rest assured that many a trivial New Year's resolution has been broken. One New Year's resolution we feel sure will not be broken—and that is—we shall do everything in our power with our work, our leisure time, and our prayers to help speed the day of ultimate victory.

This is our pledge to you and posterity, and we know that if we put our every effort in this pledge, if we unite our work with our prayers, God will reward us with his greatest gift to mankind, **PEACE**. We can rest assured that His reward will be that peace that is hoped for by every mother, wife, and sweetheart, when they pray fervently that He will bring their loved ones back safely, after this turmoil has reached its long desired end.

We feel sure that He will enlighten the minds of our leaders to such an extent that they will formulate a lasting peace to be enjoyed by all nations to the end of time.

Pastor's Message

MY DEAR BOYS:

It is with a deep sense of relief that I am writing my usual letter to you boys. The relief is of a local character; still it is exactly that. Imagine that we have been having snow and ice since December 10th. Even while I am typing these lines there is a three inch ice crust in our yard but it is melting fast and, believe me, we don't regret that. Coal bill, gas bill and electric light bill have soared skyward; we are emerging from a long and extremely icy winter. Maybe the good Lord sent it for our best; who can tell?

The new year 1945, a year full of fateful events in the history of this poor world, has started; for our parish it has started and it has been going along nicely these first two months. Spiritually there is to thank God for the many more Holy Communions being received, for the many more people attending Mass. The degree of morality of our families (at least 99%) is fine; there is a greater spirit of social cooperation. The number of babies born and baptized is excellent (do you remember my motto?) "Watch us grow"); the health of our people is excellent, much better than last year. During these first two months of 1945 we had none of our soldiers killed. So you can see how thankful we can be. Our church is getting along nicely, although there is a tremendous amount of work to be done. Preliminary steps are being taken to prepare for this work; you will be informed as things happen.

I wish to thank all the boys who have been and are writing from so many distant places, from all the fighting fronts. It is a real happiness to hear from every one of them. I understand that it is so hard to do so in some circumstances like the ones you are living, particularly when life is a continual prayer that "bullets may keep on missing", as Loreto Cinarani wrote in his last and most welcome letter. It has been and is a real joy to see quite a number of you boys coming home on furlough after very long absences and fighting, and hear the real stories of this war. The most consoling thing is to see practically everybody in such fine health after so long a hardship. More surprising yet is the fact that practically every one is showing such wonderful spirit. Yes, with men like you, Uncle Sam can sleep peacefully.

Of course more of my former babies are going as they reach their fateful 18 years of age; but they go as men, eager to do their part, and they will do it if the war will continue longer.

We are in lent now; our prayers are for you more than ever. At all the services, all the people and particularly our school children pray for you. We keep you in our hearts, in our thoughts; you are the object of our prayers. God bless every one of you, my dear boys; God keep you. Smile and beat the blues. Think of the day when you will be grand-paps and wide open eyes of your grand-children when you will tell them so many "real stories".

Yours as ever,

Fr. S. Gattuso, O.D.M.

CREDIT UNION

At a meeting of the general membership of St. Rocco's Credit Union the following were elected as officers for the year 1945: Mr. Patrick Avon, President; Mr. Dominic Corrado, Vice President; Miss Lucy Cicerchi, Treasurer; Mr. Frank Panza, Asst. Treasurer; Miss Marie Manfredi, Secretary; Mrs. Mille Baratta, Mr. Angelo DeMarco, Mr. James Girard, Mr. Salvatore La Bianca, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Cody, and Mrs. Lucille Crisafi, Directors.

Mr. Mike Malasca, Mr. Tony Antonucci, Mr. Dominic Lioce, Credit Committee.



Roll of Honor



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Pvt. John Agostin
Pvt. Peter Alberino
Pvt. John Alberino
Rocco Alberino, U.S.M.C.
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S-Sgt. Michael Altier
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Pvt. Philip Enia
Pfc. Thomas Enia

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CLEVELAND SCENE

The Holidays are over, and Cleveland has settled down to its daily routine. The Xmas decorations have been carefully packed away until next year, as have been the small cribs that adorned the base of most trees. New Year was celebrated quietly, due to the fact that it fell on Sunday, also because most of us were scheduled to work on New Year's Day.

Former Msgr. Ready of Cleveland, newly installed Bishop of the Diocese of Columbus, was given a reception in his honor at Hotel Statler. More than 1000 members of the Catholic laity, including many of his intimate friends were present to wish him success in his new office.

Thomas A. Burke was inaugurated as Mayor of Cleveland, and a few days later he went to Columbus to assist at the inauguration of former Mayor Lausche, as Governor of Ohio — which gives us two staunch Catholics in high offices. — Lee C. Howley, 34 years old, was appointed as City Law Director, and also is a member of the "K. of C."

Clark School suffered a disastrous fire, which practically ruined the newer addition, necessitating closing that section for 2 years. Fire was believed to be of an incendiary origin. — The East Ohio Gas Co., completed its huge task of mailing over 500,000 refund checks to its many customers, as a rebate on charges, due to reduction in rates as ordered by the Courts. Many of these checks were turned over by the recipients to the Red Cross. Last reports were that the Red Cross had received a total of approximately \$600.00.

Our neighbor, Euclid Ohio, is planning an elaborate park for post war — to cover about 74 acres off of East 222 Street. This play spot will include baseball diamonds, football fields, swimming pool and even horseshoe courts. You can rest assured that many Clevelanders will avail themselves of this spot.

Mr. Domenico Vairetta, from Cleveland's East Side, celebrated his 100th birthday by drinking his full share of beer, and smoking a good DeNobili.

Barber Shop Quartets came into their own at the Public Auditorium, at the "Parade of Quartets." The "Lamplighters", well-known Cleveland group were chosen as the "All-Ohio Quartet."

KNIGHTS OF ST. JOHN

Rev. Fr. Sante Gattuso was overjoyed when advised that the following servicemen have enrolled themselves as honorary membership to the Knights of St. John of St. Rocco's Commandery No. 330.

We believe this shows an interest in the affairs of the Parish and should bode for greater things in the future.

Pfc. Louis Anelli, Pfc. S. Aversano, Pvt. Tony Anguilano, Pfc. Ray Battaglia, Pvt. Joseph Camerato, Sgt. A. R. Casella, John Ciliberto AMM3c, Enrico Cortelezzi S2c, S/Sgt. James F. DiCapo, Ppl. E. A. De Piero, Pvt. J. Gargano, S/Sgt. S. Gerace, Pfc. A. Giancaterino, Sgt. Edward G. Kelly, Pfc. Louis La uardia, Cpl. John J. Larussa, Sgt. Frank M. Lonerio, Pvt. James Mangano, Sgt. P. Mazzone, Pfc. James Melillo, Pfc. Daniele J. Miranda, Pfc. Anthony A. Morelli, Cpl. Nicholas Mazzone, Cpl. M. V. Palange, Pvt. Leo P. Pascal, Cpl. Vito Pascale, Pfc. Albert R. Richetti, S/Sgt. James G. Rutti, Sgt. Joseph Russo, Sgt. Louis G. Sforza, Sgt. Sam P. Taormina, M. Troncone S1c, Cpl. Dominic P. Ciolini.

The Knights of St. John are grateful to these boys for accepting their invitation and welcome all servicemen to become honorary members without any obligations on their part.

Marie Manfredi



UP-TO-DATE FLASHES



SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT:

ACROSS THE POND:

Cpl. Louis Lauria met Don Palange in France, who is in the Ord. camp next to his area. — Pvt. Joe Incorvia is now in Germany. While he was in France, he went to a little church, and an old priest told him a little story about its patron saint, St. Theresa. As a child she attended this small church, and her sister and also the organist are still alive and live a few miles from the church. Joe tried to see St. Theresa's sister, but his outfit never was close enough. — Sgt. Sam P. Taormina, Bomb Sqd., is somewhere in Italy. — T/5 John L. Larussa, Infantry, was happy to spend a few days in a rest camp in France, he's now back in action — Vito Colonna HAlc, somewhere in the So. Pacific, says he wishes he could see some of that good old U.S.A. snow, as it's so hot out there. Vito's working in a Base Hospital.

Major John Leacacos is in Italy, and is connected with a Hq. Co. — Somewhere in Belgium is Pvt. Paul Rubino in Q.M. Trk. Co. — Pfc. Concetto Balbo is somewhere in France and his wife is spending some time with his parents in Hollywood, Calif. — Pvt. Nick Schmitz is in Paris, France and has visited many great churches and cathedrals, but he still would like to be back at St. Rocco's — Also in France is Sgt. Charles Simak. — Cpl. Joe Spinelli is somewhere in Germany and so is Sgt. Tony Lonero. — Taking in the French countryside is Sgt. Loreto Cianfarani.

Coxswain "Ducky" Williams has been awarded the Presidential Citation — as his ship, the U.S.S. England, sank 5 hostile ships in 12 days. He has also been promoted in rank. — Cpl. Ezio DePiero is in Belgium and Germany. His job is to deliver tanks to the armored divisions, and wishes to know if there are any parishioners in those divisions that he can contact. — Sgt. Tony Zanzano spent Xmas with his aunt in Italy. He has been fortunate in meeting many of his parents' friends and relatives there. — Also in Italy is Pvt. Pete Daugente.

Pvt. Louis Aneli claims there is more snow in the Aleutians than in Cleveland. We're beginning to doubt it! — Somewhere overseas are Pvt. Robt. Ragone, and Cpl. Sam Anguilano. — 1/Sgt. Marion Bellare Tomazic is now in England — Pfc. Tony Anguilano writes from the So. Pacific that he is happy to hear that St. Rocco's has cleared all their debts. — Sgt. Vito DeBellis spent a short time in a rest camp in France, and is now back in action. While he was in Italy, he visited his relatives, and his godfather, Mr. F. Didonna, formerly of St. Rocco's Parish, and now living at Noicattero. — Sal DeBellis Slc has been in the Marianas, and the Philippines, and is now at a rest camp, but expects to get back in action soon. — In Belgium is Pfc. Alfred Melillo. He drives a bomb truck.

UP TO DATE FLASHES

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

Now at Norfolk, Va., is John F. Ciliberto AMM3c, and wants to thank everyone for the Christmas Party — Sgt. Thomas Guzzo is at Santa Maric, California. — Cpl. Sam Laira is a Radar Operator with B-29 Bomb Group, at Victoria, Kansas. — Pfc. Harry DeMarco is now at Ft. Custer, Michigan, at Percy Jones G & C Hospital. — Pvt. Sam Caravelli is now at Ft. Benning, Georgia. — At Scott Field, Illinois is Sgt. Rudy Bergantino — Pvt. James Mangano in the Supply Div. at Two Rock Ranch, Petaluma, California. — Pvt. Roland Mangino is in South Carolina. — Pvt. Francesangelo is sojourning at Camp Atterbury, Indiana. Pfc. Mike Capella is stationed at Woodrow Wilson Hospital, at Staunton, Virginia. In the Ordnance, attached to the Medical Corps, Mike picks up the wounded servicemen, and accompanies them to other hospitals. He recently enjoyed a 10 day furlough.

It certainly was good to see S/Sgt. Augustine A. Russo son of Mrs. Virginia Caputo after such a long absence. Augustine has been in New Guinea for 3 yrs., to the day he returned home. He was in the states for one month before being sent overseas. In the Air Corps Ground Crew he saw a lot of action, and was in 3 major battles. Sgt. Russo is now at a rest camp in California.

Another welcome home comer was Pfc. Jimmy Rutti Walton Ave. just returned from the Aleutians, where he has been stationed in the Q. M. Division there for the past 2 years. This was his first furlough home — he was in the states 6 months and then sent across. Pfc. Rutti met Pvt. Augustine Russo in the Aleutians — they were both stationed on the same island. When asked about the women shortage, Jimmy quickly answered that "there was a woman behind every tree." You can make your own conclusions from here!

Two buddies who happened to be on leave at the same time, and certainly did the town were "Ducky" Sforza S2c, and Albert Pompei S2c.

Frank Cocchiarale's AMM2c happy home-coming with his bride Mary Petretti from New Jersey, was interrupted by his having to be rushed to a hospital to have an appendectomy performed. Frank has been overseas for 7½ months.

Two more of our boys have received honorable medical discharges, and we're certainly glad to have them back — Joe Schemment, and James Melillo.

Mrs. J. Principato (nee' Zambrone) is visiting her husband Joseph, who is stationed in California — Mr. and Mrs. Frank Principato and daughters — Mrs. Canepa, and Mrs. Bontempo — are moving out to California, and intend to reside there. — Mr. and Mrs. N. Zaffino, and Miss Ann Nunnari are spending the winter months in Florida.

Miss Theresa Floiro's engagement has been announced by her parents to Mr. San Vinci. They plan to be married in June.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Melillo are the proud parents of a baby boy — Raymond.

Miss Mary Scaravelli completed her internship at St. Luke's Hospital, and is now a full-fledged dietician. She certainly has a right to be proud of her certificate.

Since the purchase of a new movie projector — St. Rocco's has been enjoying Sunday evening movies in the church hall. — St. Rocco's P. T. A. recently held a card party.

Stopping in Cleveland on a delay to Ft. Geo. G. Meade, Md., Cpl. and Mrs. Mike Riccardi proudly showed off their son Michael, Jr.

T/Sgt. Frank Antonucci announced his engagement to Miss Mary Coan. He presented his fiancée with a beautiful ring on the occasion of his parent's 40th wedding anniversary.

We extend our sympathy to Sgt. Frank Lonero on the death of his mother.

CHUCKLES

Heard on the radio on a Sunday morning quiz program. "What is the greatest honor that can be given to a serviceman?" Spontaneous answer from among a group of servicemen "A DISCHARGE".

How to quench a thirst in Italy. First boil the water, then filter it, add G. I. chemicals, then wash in it and drink wine.

There were two skulls in a museum case. One said to the other, "Where are we?" The other one replied, "If you had any brains you'd know."

They call her "Steam Shovel", because she's always picking up dirt.

**Your concern should not be whether God is on your side
but whether you are on God's.**
—Lincoln

These words spoken by the Great Emancipator remind us on this day of our great need to follow his doctrine.

More and more of us turn our thoughts toward Him Our Creator during these times of great strife.

Lincoln, in his time, was embroiled in a turmoil that threatened the very foundations of our great nation. A turmoil that involved brother against brother. A turmoil that was dividing a people that had pledged itself to unity and equal rights for all men. He found a nation that was practicing slavery. A practice that belied the creed of equality for all men, the basis on which this country had been founded.

It was therefore natural that viewing all this strife his thoughts should turn towards God. Lincoln knew that He is always thinking of us but that often, we mortals, in the hustle and bustle of our everyday life let our thoughts stray solely to the material things of life.

Lincoln brought our country safely through that turmoil and through his efforts brought about the abolition of slavery. An act that set the pattern for other nations to follow.

An act that has made this a better world to live in and shall serve as a reminder through the centuries of the greatness that was Lincoln.

FATHER OF OUR COUNTRY

February 22 as we all know is the birth date of George Washington, our first president, better known as the Father of our Country.

In this year of our Lord 1945 as we read of the hardships endured by our boys suffering the rigors of one of the worst European winters in history we are reminded of that well known winter in Valley Forge where Washington with his undernourished bedraggled army withstood the siege of that terrible winter through sheer courage and perseverance.

Their's was a courage born of faith. Faith in their leader, who had always proved himself more than capable when put to the test and faith in a righteous cause. The right to freedom. The same right for which the nations of the world are today embroiled in a terrible conflict which is slowly but surely nearing its completion.

Completion of which will mean peace as a reward for the just and a deserved punishment for the perpetrators of this terrible holocaust.

It is that same faith, shown by Washington and his armies, that has brought this country of ours to be looked upon as the model of all freedom-loving people. That same faith in our leaders has brought us forward to be recognized as the industrial leaders of this world.

That same love for freedom that has made this land of ours the haven for the oppressed of all nations.

Therefore let us pay tribute to the Father of our Country for his courage and faith in preserving the principles that formed the nucleus of this great land of ours.

BOY CAN HE COOK!

Preparing the food for approximately one hundred men in the front lines was the task assigned to Cpl. Joseph Enia, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Enia.

From June, 1942 to December, 1944, Cpl. Joe, a cook in the U. S. Air Corps, has visited England, Africa, Tunisia, Sicily, Italy, Sardinia and Corsica. Being a non-combat soldier, he was right behind the front lines at all times.

Life overseas for Joe proved to be very interesting — meeting and living amongst peoples of different countries, learning their customs, habits, and ways of life. In Naples, he relates, he found the people very friendly. They were delighted and surprised to learn that he was of Italian descent. To express their delight, they invited him to their homes to dinner and many enjoyable evenings.

In Naples Joe met his cousin, Cpl. Don Brucchieri (who has since returned to the States). Also in Naples, he met Ray Melillo (who since received an honorable medical discharge), and Clifford Crisafi. While in Tunis, he met Dominic Camilli.

Prior to his induction into the Army, Cpl. Joe attended West Tech High School. He worked as an apprentice carpenter with his dad. He was inducted into the army on June 30, 1941 and received his basic training at Camp Lee, Va. Later he was sent to Harting Field, La. He returned to the States on December 2, 1944, on the rotation furlough plan and reported to Florida for re-assignment.

Joe has two brothers, Pfc. Thomas who is overseas and Pvt. Phillip somewhere in France — and two sisters, Jessie and Angela.

It was indeed a pleasant surprise to see Joe back in the old neighborhood again, renewing old acquaintances and catching up on some of the events that took place in his absence.

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

Who started all this Valentine sending, which has been going on through hundreds of years, and who was St. Valentine anyway?

Many hundreds of years ago, in the days of the Roman festival to pagan gods, there was a feast called the "Lupercalia" celebrated in honor of the gods Juno and Pan. It was the custom at this feast for the young Romans to put into a box the names of young maidens, and then draw the names out by chance. The girl whose name was chosen, became the young man's partner for the "Lupercalia Festival."

With the introduction of Christianity, all these pagan rites, because they were done in honor of pagan gods, were eradicated in every possible way. But the people had become so accustomed to the rituals of their various holidays and festivals, that it was impossible to do away with them entirely.

Therefore, in the year 496 A.D., Pope Gelasius of Rome, chose a different patron as a sort of substitute for the observance of the day. The "Lupercalia" had come on February 15; at the same time of the year (February 14 to be exact) more than 200 years before, a Bishop by the name of Valentine had been executed on the Palestine hill, where once had stood the altar to Pan. And so the Christian Church decided that St. Valentine should be honored on this day in place of the "Lupercalia" Festival of the 15th. St. Valentine's Day then took on the old customs of the "Lupercalia" of ancient Rome, many of which it still retains.



UNITED
WE STAND!

LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

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"THAT THIS WORLD AFLAME MAY BECOME A HAVEN FOR THE OPPRESSED AND THE DOWNTRODDEN."

Once again it becomes our sad duty to report that another one of our boys has paid the supreme sacrifice on the field of battle. We must also report others missing in action, wounded, and prisoners of war.

These boys must suffer the hardships that are the lot of a serviceman, who has left the comfort of his home, and loved ones, to be scattered over all corners of the world to help quench the flame of hate and oppression that has engulfed this world.

Their sacrifices shall bring us ever nearer to that goal that has been the aspiration of all peoples of all ages. A world dedicated to peace and harmony wherein the word "oppression" is not even breathed.

We join the families of these boys in their grief and anxieties, and pray with them that their sacrifices shall not be in vain.

DOVILIO TOFFANETTI

Pfc. Dovilio Toffanetti, Infantry soldier reported missing after action in Germany December 20, was killed on that date, according to word received by his father, Salvatore Toffanetti, 3177 West 32nd St.

Pfc. Toffanetti 25, came to Cleveland from Italy 8 years ago, from the town of Cordino, Province of Udine. Immediately upon his arrival to this country, he took out his first citizen papers — when he was inducted into the Army he automatically became a citizen, and he was always proud of the fact that he was an American citizen.

He was employed at Hotel Cleveland before his induction in January, 1942. In the Amphibious Forces and then the Quartermaster Corps for a time, Pfc. Toffanetti was later transferred to the Infantry. He had a 15 day furlough previous to his overseas duty, and was across 20 months. He was in England, France, and Belgium.

His mother and a brother live in Italy, and do not know of his death, as mail is not open in their province as yet.

A Memorial Mass will be said in his honor.

MISSING IN ACTION SGT. JOHN R. SUGLIO

Mr. and Mrs. Vito Suglio of 3243 W. 32nd Street, were notified by the war department that their son John Suglio 20, was missing in action in Germany since February 20th.

John was one of Father Gattuso's boys. A graduate of St. Rocco's School and also attended Lincoln High School.

Previous to his induction he was employed at Industrial Rayon Corporation.

He spent quite a bit of time at Camp McCain, Mississippi with the 87th Infantry Division and went overseas during June 1944.

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Dovilio Toffanetti



John Suglio



Hugo Riccardi

HUGO RICCARDI, M. O. M.I.-c

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Riccardi, 3329 Walton Ave., received word from the Navy Department informing them that their son, Hugo, was missing in action in the South Pacific since February.

Petty Officer Hugo was with the Coast Guard aboard the naval ammunition cargo boat "Serpents", which went down with a crew of 200 men.

Hugo, a graduate of Lincoln High School, married his wife Sylvia in 1942, and was inducted into the Coast Guard in December of that year. Prior to his induction, he was employed at the National Carbon Company for some time.

Petty Officer Riccardi had been overseas 15 months when he was reported missing, and had seen plenty of action.

His parents made a Novena to M. S. S. Pietraquaria for his safe return. The Gazette staff and St. Rocco's Parish join in their prayers, and hope for his return also.

Hugo has a brother Michael, who is somewhere overseas in the European theater of war. We have been informed by Mrs. Riccardi that her son Hugo was killed in action on date on which he was reported missing.

CPL. LEO G. PASCAL

Mrs. Louise Pascal of 3113 West 38th Street has been notified by the U. S. Army that her son, Cpl. Leo G. Pascal 22, was reported missing in action in March somewhere in Germany.

Leo was inducted May 19th, 1943, and was sent to Camp Shelby, from there to Ft. Meade, Maryland, then to Camp Miles Standish in Massachusetts from where he was shipped overseas in Feb. 1944. He was stationed in England for some time and landed in France about two weeks after D Day.

Cpl. Pascal was with the 5th Tank Division attached to Patton's Army.
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Leo G. Pascal

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EDITORIAL

The Lenten season is nearly over and with the end of this season will come the glorious day, that commemorates the resurrection of our Lord on Easter Sunday.

During this season of Lent as we ponder on the sufferings of our Lord on His way to Calvary, we wonder. Is there any compensation, any connection between the sufferings of the world today and that suffering of our Lord? Could this struggle be a punishment for our many sins?

Many parts of the world, many rulers have been deaf to the teachings of God. They have attempted to establish such a world that fails to recognize God.

The world was becoming too lax in the practice of its religion and morals. Probably our Divine Saviour has sent this punishment upon us to guide us back to the fold to help us remember our God. To help us return to a deeper respect for the morals of the world.

Just as Christ after his forty days of Calvary resurrected and was received into the kingdom of Heaven, as a reward for his suffering, so now it seems that the world as a whole is slowly approaching the end of its punishment.

Our resurrection shall be in having a better world to live in, a world that shall be blessed with peace and justice for all. The road, ahead, however, is still rough for just as the last days of our Lord's suffering were the hardest to endure so shall we find that the suffering of this war torn world shall be the same.

Therefore we must unite together in one great effort with our prayers and our work to help bring

this holocaust to a quick end so that we may all enjoy that blessed peace together.

Let us hope that another Easter shall find the dove of Peace and not the hated god of war hovering over this strife torn world.

Pastor's Message

MY DEAR BOYS:

This letter is a mixture of all feelings for the many things that this war brings about in our daily life. My first thought goes to the three more young men who have given all they had in the fulfillment of their duty: **Captain Frank Centanni, M.M. 1-c, Hugo Riccardi and Private Duilio Tofanetti.** I have known the first two for the last 21 years, since their childhood. I still remember when Frank would come with his wonderful papa, Mr. Anthony Centanni, and his younger brother. He was always smiling and jolly. Before he was drafted, when he belonged to the Cleveland Fire Department, he was always in church to hear Mass and receive the Holy Communion. He entered the armed forces as a simple private; but before long he was sent to an officers school and got his commission with flying colors. In a short time he was captain. Other promotions would have been his lot if death would have not taken him on Corregidor Island on March 17. He was a magnificent young man, very faithful to his Faith and his duty. Even during his life in the armed forces, up to the day of his death, he was a daily communicant. His chaplain has written that Frank was his best friend and that he could never get mad, except when the same chaplain would not tell him about the time of the Mass. Frank has met God with perfect joy; he is in heaven and prays for us.

Hugo was drafted after he had been so happily married. His letters were so beautiful and inspiring, so full of that christian joy which is to be found even among the hardships and sacrifices proper of the war military life. Knowing very well what his part had to be he was ever ready to do it, nay more than his part. As a matter of fact he died on a mission for which volunteers were called. He was ready to answer the call and face the consequences. He died in the service of his God and his country.

Pvt. Tofanetti, a member of our Trentina Club, had been in the United States only five years when he too was called to the colors. He was killed in action in Germany, making the supreme sacrifice for his adopted country. His father lives in our parish; his mother is in Italy, in the still German occupied section; a real tragedy!

May God have mercy on all.

On the other hand we have reasons to rejoice. Three of our boys fought at Iwo Jima and all came out with minor wounds; two others who were prisoners have been freed by our American soldiers: Leo Paschal only a short time after he had been taken by the Germans. Our several wounded have recovered or are recovering nicely. In all this our mothers are simply wonderful. They suffer and cry but can take it bravely. Our young widowed ladies are just as wonderful. God bless every one of them!

My dear boys, you ask all the time how is the new church going, if it is being built, how big it is etc. Well here is the answer. The new church is still a good wish and nothing else. No work has been started as yet. The war situation, the lack of material and of manpower makes it impossible to do anything; but we are trying to get ready. We have so much material, particularly marble and bricks; we have a little over \$13,000.00. But you can see that we could build only a good size home with this amount but no church. So we are going to run a campaign this summer to raise

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Roll of Honor



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Pvt. John Alberino
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Pfc. Michael Anguilano
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Pfc. Joseph Bartolozzi
Pfc. Fred Battaglia
Pfc. Raymond Battaglia
Cpl. Tony Battista
Pvt. Dante Bellini
Troy Bellini, P.H.M. 3-c
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Eugene Bettinezza
Angelo A. Bacchini, SK3c
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Charles Bontempo, S3-c
Sam Boscarello, U.S.N.
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Pfc. Rino Brianesco
Pvt. Sam Brooks
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Pvt. Vito M. Brucchieri
Pfc. Albert Bruno
Cpl. Anthony Bruno
Pvt. Herman Bruno
August Bruno, S.C.
Cpl. John Buo

Pfc. Sam Calandra
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Pvt. Dominic Cappella
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Mike Caso
Guy Caso
Sgt. Anthony Casella
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Capt. Frank Centanni
Sgt. Loretto Cianfarani
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Pfc. Theresa Camerato, WAC*
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Pvt. Edward Di Fiore
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CLEVELAND SCENE

March gamboled in like the proverbial lamb with a typical spring, and sauntered along in this manner, causing many an overcoat to find itself firmly entrenched in the darkest corner of the closet there to meditate until winter's return.—Then came the first day of Spring and rain, snow, and wind battled for a few days with the sun emerging again triumphant in a sky of blue. — Young and old now hope for sunny skies on Easter Sunday — It is hard to believe that all the winter's ice and snow is gone — not satisfied with the causing of colds, suffering and misery of ice and snow, it merged with the heavy rainfall, to flow down to Cincinnati and Pittsburgh district to cause havoc, by flooding the lower sections of those cities. Quite a bit of damage was done, and some lives lost. The red Cross was promptly on the job to help the afflicted. This example served as an added incentive for everyone to give cash and blood to the organization which is holding its drive during the month of March. Cuyahoga County's goal is \$3,100,000. — Mae West blew into town with her famous "Come up and see me sometime." She was accompanied by a cast of about 65 (62 of them men), to present her play "Catherine Was Great" at the Hanna Theater. — Bob Feller and wife in the city for a short stay and during his furlough they enjoyed a hockey game. He expressed the belief that baseball should be continued for the good of the morale of G. I. Joes and civilians as well. — Metropolitan Opera Season announced a diversified representation of operas to be presented the week of April 15th — Area devastated by East Ohio Gas fire, to be converted into modern residential district with ample park space and recreation center as memorial to those who lost their lives in the holocaust. Thad Fusco, Third Ward Councilman, was recently inducted into the Army. His wife, Amelia, certified by City Council to take his place. — Mayor Burke together with a member of

Council inspected Clark Ave. bridge, ordered temporary guards there, until repairs are started about the end of the month. — Tentative post war building program was approved by School Board, totaling \$1,930,000.00. Program to include new buildings and additions to present structures, and also the erection of two new Junior High Schools. — Alta House, 45 year old settlement on Mayfield Rd., was damaged by a fire — \$15,000.00. Temporary quarters next door, to be used, until repairs are made. — Bishop Hoban also planning building improvements — new home for the aged, additions to St. Joseph's Orphanage on the Lake, and a new building at Parmadale. — Fr. Mulholland, native Cleveland, assistant at St. Vincent dePaul Church, succeeds Fr. Hannon as Chaplain at St. John's Hospital. Fr. Hannon takes post as Pastor at Immaculate Conception Church, Wooster, Ohio. — Steamship Gripsholm returning to America with wounded Yanks, who had been prisoners of Germany, included 11 happy Clevelanders in their midst. — Third Order of St. Francis met at St. Joseph's on Woodland Ave. as part of a national program pledging themselves to work for peace and welfare of all nations. Bishop Hoban, together with bishops all over the nation, made an appeal to the faithful to make a contribution to the Bishops War Relief Fund — funds to be used to aid all war stricken countries of the world. — General Joseph W. Stillwell was in Cleveland to attend a banquet given under auspices of Cleveland Post of Army Ordnance. Local industrialists to be honored, including Tom L. Girdler for establishing \$500,000.00 endowment fund. — Lake Erie shipping season opened with arrival of tankers Paratex, on March 24, with GulfTex, following in a few days from Toledo. — A sure sign that Spring is here. — Cleveland Cafes were readjusting their programs to conform with the mid-night curfew requested by the Federal Government. — Spike Jones burped his way through an engagement at the Palace

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★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

ACROSS THE POND:

Pvt. Paul Rubino, now in Belgium, has been awarded three bronze stars — for the battles of Normandy Beach, N. France, Germany, and is getting another for the counter-attack. He has been across 18 months — and in the service 2 years. — 1/Sgt. Marion Tomazic is somewhere in Southern England. — Sgt. Mario Palange has been in England, France, Belgium, Holland, and is now back in Belgium again. He's seen plenty of action all right. He sent his wife Margaret, and baby girl Vickie both a fur coat from Belgium. — S/Sgt. Joe Cellura is in a general hospital in England, recuperating from a wound received in Germany. He informs us that he "enjoys reading the Gazette". Cpl. Anthony Bruno is with a Station Hospital in Europe. Thomas Zaccaro, Fl-c, and Romeo Sabbattis (who was awarded the Purple Heart) are both on board the U. S. S. Lexington. They went to school together, and have gone through plenty out in the Pacific. They also encountered Henry Sabbattis out there. — George Minnello S1/c, with the U. S. S. Morts, spent about 3 months in the hospital somewhere in South America, after seeing action in the Atlantic, but he is now back to duty again.

Pfc. Tony Morelli and Pfc. Clifford Crisafi met in Italy. They had dinner together, and reminisced over old times. Sgt. Pat Cordisco, Infantry man, is in Cologne. — George Caso MoMM3-c is in the repair Unit Div. — Cpl. Joe Grassi is somewhere in France. — Cpl. Julius Trombetta and his brother-in-law, Chester Scarci, are both in Bari, Italy, about 30 miles apart. — Pfc. Tony Amaddio, Field Artillery Bn., is somewhere in Germany. — In England working as a dental assistant is Cpl. Felix Ciocca. — Pvt. Ray Ragone and Pvt. Carl Pacino are both in France, in the Infantry. — Also in the Infantry in Germany is Cpl. Johnny Gullo, in the 1st Army, under Gen. Hodges. — Cpl. Louis Lauria is in the Supply Line unit in France. He met a sweet "cherie" who asked him to remain in France after the war (but we know he can hold his own). Lou also built a door for his tent out of a German belly-plane. — In Tank Destroyer Bn. in Belgium is Cpl. Dom Violino. — Sgt. Emil Paoletta is somewhere in France, and his brothers Henry and Mike are somewhere in the South Pacific.

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

Pfc. Michael A. Reddish recently returned to the states (suffering from stomach trouble), after 26 months overseas. He is now at Ashford General Hospital, White Sulphur Springs, West, Va., and informed us what a wonderful paper the Gazette is. — Enjoying the good hot sunshine at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, is Sgt. Angelo Caporaso. Angelo was home recently on a short furlough. Pvt. Vincent Ventrone and Pvt. Anthony Battaglia are both at Camp Fannin, Texas. At Ft. Benning, Georgia, acting as M. P. is Pfc. Jimmy Rutti. — Mike Marconi, S2c, is on duty at the Navy Yard in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. — Anthony Monte, AMM12c is stationed at Grosse Isle, Michigan, and has been home on several week-end passes.

Cpl. Roy Gullo is stationed at Two Rock Ranch, Petaluma, Calif. in the Signal Corps, and has been in the Army 2 1/2 years. — Joe Gullo, Rdm3-c, works for Radar, at Charleston, Rhode Island. — Pfc. Frank Cordisco works with the Ord. Co. Center in charge of company transportation at Perry Army Air Base, Perry Florida. He enjoyed a furlough home recently, and was looking good. — Anthony Lauria, S2-c enlisted in the Navy, and is now at Naval Air Tech. Center at Memphis, Tennessee. — Pvt. Michael Caso is in Alabama these days, at Ft. McClellan. — Mike Seman S3-c is a Signal Man in the Naval Air Corps, at Miami, Florida.

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT:

Pfc. Nick Paoletta, 3131 Fulton Rd., home on a 30 day leave from Panama, was married to Miss Lucille Tomolo, 3773 E. 114th St., at Holy Family Church recently. Miss Josephine Cafaratti and Angelo Petitti were the attendants, and reception was held at the North Italian Hall. The couple went to Niagara Falls on their wedding journey.

Steve Soresso A. B. (Merchant Marine) was home on a 30 day leave after a 4 months trip, which included Sicily, Italy, France, and N. Africa. Steve certainly looked grand in his uniform.

Home on a 20 day leave was Enrico Cortellezzi, S1-c, who had been out of the states for 9 months. On the aircraft carrier, U. S. S. Nehenta Bay, Enrico was in Saipan, Guam, Marshall Islands, Admiralty Islands, and Phillippines. He was certainly happy to be home again.

We're glad to see Harry DeMarco home for good this time. Harry just received an honorable medical discharge from the Army.

Sgt. Joe Paoletta was home to Cleveland on a furlough with his wife and mother-in-law recently, and was happy to see his family once again. — Mike Almasy MM3-c was also home on a short leave.

Miss Fay Cozzarin is engaged to S2-c A. G. Litnickas.

Miss Josephine Pavia announced her engagement to Q.M.3-c Ralph Devine.

Miss Lena Pinozi's fiance is Pfc. Albino Cessarato.

There is a Blood Donor's Drive now going on at St. Rocco's, and everyone is cooperating splendidly.

A series of Lenten sermons were given at 12:00 Mass every Sunday by Rev. Fr. Benjamin Toth, Franciscan. And on Wednesday night at Novena Rev. Fr. Allen also gave a series during Lent.

Mr. Michael Petruzzello Jr. and Miss Lucille Trivisonno were engaged on Palm Sunday.

Sgt. Frank Glatzhofer is home on his first leave in 41 months. Overseas since four months after his induction in June, 1941, Sgt. Glatzhofer was part of the ground support of the Seventh Air Force, after he left Hawaii. He says he's "mighty rusty as to state-side ways" — but is sure happy to be home.

CLEVELAND SCENE

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Louis Prima was the final attraction of the month at same theater, he sure packed 'em in. He, together with his singer Nancy Ann Carroll (also of Italian descent) will appear before Italo-American organizations for benefit of Italian War Relief Fund. — Meat shortage becoming more acute — some people solved the problem for one week at least, by abstaining from meat during Holy Week. — Cleveland is busy shopping for those Easter outfits to attend the traditional Easter Parade. — Cleveland regiment Knights of St. John initiated 150 members into the second and third degrees on Palm Sunday. — First golfers seen on the links — baseball equipment, tennis racquets, marbles, garden tools, etc. made their appearance, and we must repeat — Spring is in the air! — The Good Friday procession was called off, due to the rain; however, services were held in church, which was filled to capacity, and plus. — Holy Thursday services were very impressive, which included the re-enactment of the Last Supper. — The Gazette staff wishes you all a Joyous Easter.

CPL. LEO G. PASCAL

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He was a graduate of Lincoln High School with the class of 1940. He was skilled at Archery and Fencing, and his mother believed that this skill aided him in receiving sharp shooters medals while at camp. Prior to induction he worked for two years at Warner and Swasey as a machinist.

He wrote of seeing action at St. Lo, Nancy and Luxembourg. It was at St. Lo that he received leg wounds for which he was later awarded the Purple Heart.

At one point, his group found a Catholic Church, which though it had been bombed, was not completely destroyed. They were happy to be able to gather there to hear Mass and receive Holy Communion.

He wrote to his girl friend Miss Regina Pascualo, of St. Ignatius Parish, that the condition of the homes of the German people was so terrible that the people had to resort to slaughtering their livestock in the streets.

Leo has been an honorary member of the Knights of St. John for the past year.

His brother Cpl. Albis Pascal is now stationed somewhere in No. Africa. We are glad to report that Leo was found to be a prisoner and has since been liberated.

SGT. JOHN R. SUGLIO

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he wrote that he was well and told his mother not to worry as he could take care of himself. He wrote to say that everything was fine but that he was constantly praying that he could be back home soon. He asked his mother to thank the Blue Star Mothers for the package which he had received.

At that time Johnnie was rated as Private First Class but in the short span of nine days from the eleventh until the twentieth when he was reported missing, he had been promoted to Sergeant rating.

Suglio received the Purple Heart for wounds suffered August 9th in France.

He has a brother, Sgt. Frank who is with the 10th Radio Mobile Unit, somewhere in the South Pacific.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

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about \$20,000.00. We need the church as we need the hall (the one we are using now as a church). I am really pleased the way many of you boys are sending contributions that I would never dream of. You teach the folks at home how to do it.

We have already a number of men who have served in the armed forces and have come back to the civilian life. So we are planning to organize a branch of the National Association of the "Catholic War Veterans, Inc." with its national headquarters in New York. Our Blue Star Mothers are getting ready to continue their activity even after the war as the Auxiliaries of our branch. My dear boys, you are cordially invited to give your name to this organization, your organization. Our Most Reverend Bishop has approved and blessed the project. So please let me hear from you. As soon as our branch is organized the officers will start to get in touch with you directly. We need to be organized more and better than ever. The post-war time will be filled with so many new problems; there is already such a strong appeal on the part of so many groups for all kinds of programs. For God and country we Catholics need to be united, to preserve our precious freedoms, our Christian American way of living, in good harmony with all who stand for America, in strong defense against those who would wish to destroy America and its principles of sound democracy.

God bless you, my dear boys.

Yours as ever,

Fr. S. Gattuso, O.D.M., Pastor.

We wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to Cpl. George Cozzarin upon the death of his father.

WOUNDED IN ACTION

Cpl. John Gullo suffered from shrapnel wounds, which received in France while in action.

He was awarded the Bronze Star, and the Purple Heart. In the service 4 1/2 years, Cpl. Gullo has been overseas since October, 1943.

We are happy to report, that Cpl. Gullo has fully recovered, and is now back in the thick of it.

Rocco Alberino, 19, a private with the 5th Marine Division was wounded about both legs. He wrote to his mother to say that the battle of Iwo Jima was terrible but that he was not to worry, as he is being well taken care of. He must remain in a cast for about 10 weeks after which he will be able to get around on crutches for awhile until fully healed.

Rocco was inducted into the Marines in August 1943 and was stationed at San Diego, Cal. until he left for the Pacific.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Delfino received a letter from their son Corporal Phillip Delfino dated March 3, 1945 telling them that he had received leg wounds while engaged in the battle for Iwo Jima on March 1, 1945. The wounds were from Jap mortar fire but he reports that he is recovering in a hospital somewhere in the Pacific.

Phillip, 21 yrs. old, received his basic training at Parris Island, S. C. and has been in the Pacific area for more than one year. He participated in the battle for Guam as well as many other major Pacific battles. He received a Bronze Star for meritorious service in the battle of Guam. He is a Marine Scout with the 3rd Marine Division and received his award together with six of his buddies for courageous action in scouting out a group of Japs there saving an entire regiment from walking into a trap.

Corp. Delfino has a brother Pvt. Rosario somewhere in Germany. He is the brother of Sister Valentine of the Holy Trinity Sisters of St. Rocco's Church.

Cpl. De Cesare, 23, was with the 26th Sq. 5th Marine Division whose duty it is to keep ammunition and supplies moving towards the battle front, when he was wounded about the face and mouth. Due to his wounds it was necessary to remove some of his teeth and to repair his gums. Sy wrote to say that the battle of Iwo Jima, where he was wounded, was the worst thing he has ever experienced or ever hoped to experience. The force of the explosion was so great that it blew the fingernails off of one hand and it was only through the Grace of God that he was left alive as many of his buddies around him paid the supreme sacrifice.

He received his wounds March 1 after being in battle since Feb. 25.

Before enlisting in February 1942 Cpl. DeCesare was a graduate of West Tech High School and had spent 2 years at Miami University.

His brother Frank is a private in the Marine Corps, and is presently attending sea school in San Diego, Cal.

S/Sgt. Michael Zona, who was reported missing in action in Germany, in the last issue of the Gazette, sent a card to his mother Mrs. E. Zona stating that he was in perfect health and working on a German farm as a prisoner of war well out of the war zone in a section of country yet untouched by war at that time. He said the food was excellent and that he hoped to get home soon. As we go to press we are pleased to report that he has been liberated.



LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

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ERNIE PYLE



The world had barely overcome the impact of the shock it received at the death of our president when it was again saddened by the death of a man of great courage. A man who had dedicated his life, even though he knew that some day it could mean his death, to give the world the true verbal picture of our weary doughboys at the fronts. He had dedicated his life, especially to depicting the true life of an infantry man as he wallowed in the mud or suffered the rigors of winter.

Ernie Pyle, in all his time spent at the fronts, wrote nothing but a true picture of the life of our boys on the beaches of Anzio or the battle fields of France and finally in the South Pacific where our valiant boys are battling the treacherous Japs to meet his untimely death. Ernie never wrote his articles from a rear guard position—instead he could be found where he made the greatest number of friends, right at the front where the bullets flew the fastest and the cannons boomed the loudest. He never paused for a moment as he relentlessly pursued his job of straight-forward reporting although he knew that some day he would meet his end on the battlefield where many of his best friendships had been made.

He felt that he had crowded his luck too much already, but his greater sense of duty towards the boys who have fought so long and hard on the Pacific Front drew him once again on what he had faithfully promised would be his last invasion. Fate helped him keep that promise in a manner that leaves the world, and especially his myriad of friends among the G. I. Joes, saddened because he, with a brilliant mind such as his met his ultimate end by a bullet fired from a machine gun in the hands of an enemy for whom he had nothing but contempt. May his memory live with us as a symbol of courage and unselfish sacrifice through the years.

CAPTAIN FRANK D. CENTANNI

Captain Frank D. Centanni, 28, (Infantry) was killed February 17 on Corregidor, the War Department notified his father, Anthony Centanni, 3578 West 49th St., April 3. The Captain was the highest ranking serviceman of 60 former Cleveland firemen in service, and the first to make the supreme sacrifice.

Entering the Army in November, 1941, he received his basic training at Ft. Benning, Georgia, and in six months became a Second Lt. Six months after that he came home on leave as a First Lt. He then went to

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A GREAT LOSS



On April 12th, our nation and all the peace loving people of this world were plunged into mourning, when the news was received that our president, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, had died suddenly of a cerebral hemorrhage.

His loss will be felt by the people of the entire world, but by the people of our nation principally because they have lost a leader who courageously led them through and out of the worst depression that the American people had ever known. He found a nation

in 1932, whose economic system was tottering on the brink of ruin and unhesitatingly stepped in and with a courage such as only he possessed he set about to insure that the people of this nation should not suffer through the lack of necessities of life. His dauntless courage brought about the bank holiday and helped to put the country's banking system back on a sound basis. With the beginning of the War in Europe he foresaw the menace to our country and rallied the people forward to prepare our defense in case we should be called to defend our beloved land as was proven when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor. He courageously visited the many battle fronts and fought many a verbal battle to keep our country foremost in all matters political. At the time of the Yalta conference, he must have realized that he was not in the best of health, notwithstanding that he had made the strenuous trip to the Crimean peninsula to insure that the rights of the American people and the peace loving people of the world should be respected and to insure that the doctrine of the Four Freedoms should live forever in the hearts of all men.

Our president proved himself a man of great courage, because despite the fact that at a young age he was stricken with infantile paralysis and remained a cripple for the major part of his life, he became one of our greatest presidents and the only one to serve his country for more than twelve years. He served it with all his heart and soul, working from early morning to late at night, to remain in the hearts of his people as an example of perseverance.

SGT. LEONARD E. GRABOWSKI



Sgt. Leonard E. Grabowski, aged 24, was reported missing in action somewhere in Germany, on February 23rd, while serving in the infantry division with the Third Army.

Leonard, a graduate of St. Michael's school attended Lincoln High before going to work for the Pennsylvania Railroad.

He enlisted March 12, 1941 and was sent overseas in June 1944. Sgt. Grabowski married the former Miss Dora Gallucci, June 3, 1942, and is now the Father of a seven months old son, Leonard M., whose V-mail picture he

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EDITORIAL

"From small acorns giant oaks do grow."

By the same pretext we must admit that from petty grievances come great conflicts such as the one the world is engulfed in today.

These wars are not the spontaneous or slow machinations of one maniacal mind but instead they are the product of years of teaching. They are the results of man's greed, his love for power in complete disregard for the pretext of brotherly love. We have seen it in our every day life how upon the slightest provocation friend will turn upon friend. Labor against industry whether it be an individual or an association, even to the extent of brother against brother.

Nowhere is there evident the spirit of forgiveness, no one considers the fault of others and attempts to find some way or means of forgiving our brothers error. Instead it has become the practice of venting our spite upon one another, to get even as the common expression puts it.

The reason for all this being that no longer are we interested in living a life of contentment, a life where the principal interest is happiness, instead the primary aim in life has become the acquisition of wealth and power irregardless of the effect upon the well being of ourselves and our fellow men.

Therefore as these traits spread from individuals to our families, our organizations, to a nation until the world becomes inculcated with these traits and they become inborn in the human race causing such holocausts as the one which we are involved in today.

It's therefore apparent we must foster within

our families, as within the various groups of our communities, a greater desire for peace of mind, a greater spirit of brotherly love for one another so that if not within the immediate future but in years to come, we can purge the world of its desire for greed and power to establish in its stead a desire for the peace of mind and body that comes only from a heart full of the spirit of cooperating each with the other in establishing a spirit of good fellowship.

We have built a tower of hatred upon the flimsy structure of petty grievances which must be destroyed if we are to enjoy a world dedicated to peaceful efforts.

Pastor's Message

MY DEAR BOYS:

Even this time your Gazette will reach you with so much delay; excuse us but please believe me when I tell you it is complete lack of time with so many things to do. I for one am so much in arrears with my mail, including your letters which I would like to answer promptly. I have been trying to get some help, but there is no use.

Many an important thing has happened since the last issue of the Gazette was published. At home we had the death of Pres. Roosevelt and the rising to power of Vice-President Truman. This really was the most important test of our marvelous Constitution. An hour after the death of Mr. Roosevelt, the country had already its new chief and things kept on moving the same. It is a unique way of meeting emergencies of this kind, particularly during war time, and still not be troubled by political or social unrest. In other countries this could have meant disaster of some kind. This is said in defense of our Constitution against those who after V-E day seem to return to their customary dangerous agitations.

On the war front we had the complete victory in Europe, a victory that must be considered first of our victory, the victory of America, because our men did most of the fighting and we supplied most of the arms and whatever it takes to wage and win a war. This is said with a deep sense of justice and not merely to boast. We wonder what would have happened to those countries who today cry out loud in self-praise. Only a few years ago they were talking so much differently, so respectfully. We thank God for this victory and we pray that all the charters and promises made to the whole world have their fulfillment. V-E cost our parish a generous share: 13 killed, 5 prisoners (all liberated), several wounded, some shell shocked. **We are proud to have done our part.** May the sacrifice of these youths be not in vain!

My dear boys, I mentioned the fact that this issue of the Gazette is late. I need to ask your kindness to forgive me if I don't answer your letters promptly, nay with so much delay. None of us forget you; we pray for you that you may be good, brave and delivered from all dangers. Some letters we receive from chaplains tell us that you are good and doing so nicely. So many of you ask me for news about the new church building. Here is the answer: so far nothing has been done in the actual construction work. The main reason is the impossibility of getting the material. First we must win the Pacific war. On the other hand we could do nothing for lack of money. So far we

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Roll of Honor



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CLEVELAND SCENE

We can't think of April in Cleveland without remembering the beautiful sunshiny day that was Easter Sunday. All Cleveland churches were full to capacity plus, with service men and women in great numbers. The Easter parade was a thing of beauty with the members of the fairer sex in the majority. Family groups were united for that Easter dinner, a reunion that brings joy to the heart of everyone though we can't help but feel sorrowful at the thought of the many loved ones far away. We know they were with us in spirit however, because many a proud mother and sweetheart displayed, with pride, the beautiful corsage that her Jimmy, Johnny, or Joe had sent from overthere. Even the little ones had their Easter baskets from their daddy or Uncle far away and we know that all those Easter prayers were raised toward Heaven asking for a lasting peace and a safe and early return of our boys. Cleveland druggists report a sudden boom in Liniment sales—most attributable to the many new city farmers who have suddenly decided to cultivate victory gardens. Shortage of meat is probably the cause of it all. Since meat is scarce, most of them will probably turn vegetarian so they want to make sure they have vegetables in abundance, should the meat situation become worse. Even the housewives are pitching in with their share of help in the gardens. With the advent of Spring we see mothers proudly wheeling their young ones in their taylor tots and buggies to enjoy the Spring sunshines. April, however, brought the top coats out again as we were subjected to a light frost and cold winds for about a week. Many coal bins were kept clean to help heat up homes for those last few days of cold weather. Lake traffic is gaining momentum and will soon be in full swing. Most freighters have already left their

winter docks and are well on their way with a full cargo, while most oil boats are hauling their second load. A new boat has been added to Lake Cruisers to furnish transportation and pleasure trips. Cleveland Transit System to get 50 new busses and 50 new, up-to-date, street cars to help transportation ails in Cleveland. Rabies are on the increase in Cleveland as a 6 yr. old dies after having been bitten by a rabid dog. Mayor Burke ordered stricter enforcement of dog laws to help overcome the increase of rabid cases. City crews are working 7 days a week in certain parts of the city to clean it of the winter's rubbish and debris. Effort being made to speed up repairs of city streets to overcome the ravage of a hard winter. Tommy Dorsey invades the Palace Theatre. Zazu Pitts at the Hanna, presents "Ramshackle Inn" while the Metropolitan Opera Co. presents a varied bill of eight operas, including Aida, La Boheme, La Gioconda, Faust, The Golden Cocherel, Marriage of Figaro, The Miestersinger and Lucia di Lammermoor. It is significant to report that the performance of "Die Mierstersinger of Nuremburg" which depicts the fall of the city of Nuremburg was presented on the same night as the newspapers and radio brought us the news that the Yanks were invading that selfsame city in Germany. Lily Pons gave a magnificent performance as Lucia in Lucia di Lammermoor, on Friday, April 20, her first performance in this country since returning from a protracted tour of the war fronts where she thrilled G. I. Joes and officers alike with her wonderful performances. The Metropolitan played to capacity houses at each performance. Many were disappointed at not being able to purchase tickets. Proposition being presented for a longer stay next year, possibly two weeks. Cleveland citizenry saddened at news of death of our be-

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Marie Manfredi

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

ACROSS THE POND:

Sgt. Louis Sforza tied the knot in England recently, with Miss Joan Jackson of Stone Staffs. They were married in a Catholic Church, and had a large reception at Eccles Hall. — Sgt. Joe Russo, and Pvt. Phil Enia just missed seeing each other when they were in Luxemburg. — T/Sgt. Pat Caso is stationed on an airfield in France — and is with the 9th Air Force. He has been to Paris many times already. — His brother George (MoMM 3-c) is stationed in the Admiralty Islands. — Somewhere in Germany are Pvt. Paul Rubino in O.M. Trk. Co., and Pfc. Joe Incorvia, who is with the Medical Bn. — T/5 Roxie Girard is "having the life" in Hawaii, and Sgt. Anthony Ferretti is also sojourning there.

Troy Bellini Plm 3-c and Victor D'Angelo S2-c went to visit Cpl. Sy DeCesare who is in a hospital in Hawaii — and a grand reunion was had by all three boys. — Frank DeCesare is on a cruiser. — In the Philippines doing construction work is Cpl. Daniel Indellicati. — Pfc. Domenic D'Onofrio enjoys cooking for the boys in his company. He is in Patton's 3rd Army in Germany. — Pvt. Joe Furio likes it in Hawaii — he claims the food is good and he's putting on weight. He also has a nice Hawaiian girl friend. Cpl. Nick Delia is with the First Army in Germany. In the two years of his overseas duty he has been stationed in England, Ireland, Scotland, France and Belgium. The Editorial Staff appreciates his note of thanks. — Somewhere in the Pacific is Robert Cicerchi S2-c.

Pvt. Ezio DePiero and Cpl. Joe Girard are in the same company, and have recently received three battle stars representing three major battles (Normandy, N. France, and Germany). Their company was also awarded a plaque for meritorious performance beyond the call of duty. — Pfc. Peter Favino is now in France — but before going overseas he was married in Georgia to Miss Helen Repko. Pat Ciliberto is another one of our boys in Germany. — Cpl. Italo Casino sent an attractive green and tan grass skirt from New Guinea, to his sister Lola. — Fl-c Eugene Santosuosso is in the Amphibious Forces in the Pacific. — Now stationed in Panama is Cpl. Peter Ferretti. — Cpl. Augie Viglione is somewhere in the Pacific.

Overseas two years in the Paratroop Corps, S/Sgt. Peter Dettore was wounded in Corregidor. He was awarded the Purple Heart, and is now on his way home. — Louis Mazzone SPX 2-c is in Italy. — His brother Carl (Cpl.) is in Germany. — Pfc. Vito Brucchieri is in a hospital in England. We wish him a speedy recovery. — Sgt. Loreto Cianfarani last reported he was in Luxemburg.

Two brothers were reunited after a separation of 15 months in a hospital in England. Pvt. John and S/Sgt. Joe Cellura were the happy G. I.'s. While in France, John suffered from frozen feet, and consequently sent to a hospital in England. Meanwhile Joe had received a hand wound in Germany, and was also sent to a hospital in England. They discovered that they were only 30 miles apart — so John obtained a 3 day pass, and went to see his brother. Later John was able to visit Joe again.

SGT. LEONARD E. GRABOWSKI (Cont. from p. 1) reported receiving in his last letter to his wife. During February, Mrs. Grabowski received a picture from her husband that he reported having taken from a wall in a German home.

Mrs. Grabowski is now residing at 3411 Seymour Ave., with her father-in-law, Mr. Albert Grabowski.

As we go to press we are informed by Mrs. Grabowski that her husband was killed at the time he was reported missing.

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

Pfc. Ivo Cioletti is now in a hospital in Iowa recovering from wounds received in Germany. Ivo was in the Tank Destroyer Bn. We wish him a speedy recovery. — Pvt. Rudy Guzzo is in the Artillery Div. in North Carolina — and his brother Tom (Sgt.) is in Santa Maria, California. Pfc. Domenic Palumbo is stationed at Selman Field, Monroe, La. — "Ducky" Sforza S2-c met Nick Tortelli and Guy Caruso in Norfolk, Va. The three buddies had a grand time together. "Ducky" was home recently. — John Ciliberto AMM 3-c informs us that his bachelor days are over, as he recently became engaged to Miss Angeline Pinozzi, of W. 32nd St.

We now have another WAC from our parish — Miss Filomena Ricchetti of West 33rd St., enlisted not long ago. Pvt. Armand C. DeRoia is stationed at Sheppard Field, Texas. — At Municipal Airport, Daggett, Calif. is Sgt. Marco Vulpio. — Pvt. Vincent Mazzone is now at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. — Taking in Camp Hood, Texas is Pvt. Joe Brucchieri. — Sgt. Tony Casella is at Ft. Knox, Ky. training boys in the Tank Bn. and also teaching WACS to cook — some job!

SIGHTS ON THE HOMEFRONT:

Wedding bells rang for S/Sgt. Frank Antonucci and Miss Mary Coan at St. Rocco's Church. A wedding breakfast followed the ceremony in the church hall. The couple went on a short wedding trip.

Enjoying the neighborhood atmosphere once again were: Pvt. Sam Brooks, Pfc. Mike Anguilano, Albert Pompi S2-c, Louis Armagno S1-c, Tony Monte AMMI 2-c, Cpl. Lee Nicolas, Pvt. Vincent Ventrone, Sgt. Tony Casella, Carl Carosiello S2-c.

Pvt. James Mangano was home on a short furlough, and just missed seeing his brother-in-law, Angelo Larussa, who also had a furlough. — Carl Carosiello was home, after completing his boot training at Great Lakes, Ill. — Pfc. Mike Anguilano spent part of his furlough taking in the sights of Mexico.

The Sante Catholic Union Club is giving a May Dance at the North Italian Hall. We know it will be a success, as all their preceding dances have been.

The Catholic Charities Drive is now going on, and all parishioners are cooperating splendidly.

Many opera lovers from our community took in the Metropolitan Opera Season.

PRISONERS LIBERATED

S/Sgt. John Santosuosso and Pfc. Peter Anguilano have both been liberated from German prison camps. John is now in Belgium, and Pete is in France. They'll be coming home soon.

WOUNDED IN ACTION

Pvt. Carl Pacino, Infantryman in the Seventh Army, was wounded in Germany. Overseas for four months, Carl has been in the Army since last September.

He was awarded the Purple Heart, the Infantryman's Combat Badge, and his unit was given a citation.

We are happy to report that Pvt. Pacino is well on the road to recovery.

LEONARD GIANGRANDE, B.M.1-c, was certainly happy to be home on a 30 day leave, and chum around with his pals Tony Ripepi, Roxie Zanzano, and Frank Cocchiarale, who were also home on leave. It was grand to see Lenny again after a period of 22 months absence from home, however, he is one of our first boys to enlist in the Navy, having been in the service for four years — and across 14 times already.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

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have a little over \$13,000. But we are getting ready to run a campaign to raise \$50,000.00. The amount seems large, but it is the minimum we need to have before we will be ready to start to build. We are asking all those working to give at least \$35.00 each; but of course we expect many larger donations. Among our people there are those who can give \$500.00 and even \$1000.00. Will they give? We pray that this may happen. And now, my dear boys, **may I ask you to give your help?** I feel somehow uneasy at my audacity; but I know you well and I am quite sure that all will do your part, if for no other reason than to show those at home what their duty is.

God bless you, my dear boys, and keep you.

Affectionately yours,

Fr. S. Gattuso, O.D.M.

CLEVELAND SCENE

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loved president, Franklin D. Roosevelt. All major establishments closing their business at 2 P. M. on Saturday, Apr. 14. Groceries and markets closed for a 2 hr. period from 2 to 4 P. M., while transportation systems and war plants paused for a moment in silent prayer, to pay homage to his memory. A second blow saddened the heart of Clevelanders and the world at large by the death of that beloved columnist, Ernie Pyle. Our fair city was awarded second prize in safety — something to be proud of. Cleveland Barons winning Hockey Championship. Cleveland Indians starting off the season with a few losses, with promise of better things in future. School children, of all ages, competing for vocal and instrumental talent prizes with honors being well scattered throughout the city — going all out for paper drive as well as Boy Scouts and Civilian Defense workers. Catholic Charities Campaign getting under way as Auxiliary Bishop Hoban spurs Catholics to greater efforts as he plans to build a new home for the aged and add new buildings at Parmadale. St. Rocco's Church also forges ahead purchasing land behind Sisters' home to give us clear sailing from Fulton Rd. to W. 33rd St. We can't forget Fr. Gattuso always saying, "We are like the May Co., watch us grow." Yes, the May Co. also expanded, taking up new quarters on Ontario St. in what was formerly the 5 & 10 cent store. Erie Building at E. 9th and Prospect sold for \$2,000,000. Purchasers plan to use the building, after the war, to promote greater post-war plans. Cleveland zoo planning expansion for after the war with new bear pits, etc. Local girl received \$50,000 for naming of Swan in Swan soap contest. The city entitled to one pair of swans (as a result of the contest) put the director in a dilemma when two male, instead of one male and one female, were delivered. Two new sea lions have also been delivered. Brookside Park taking on new life with baseball practice and visitors to the zoo presenting a lively scene. Tin scrap collection continues with East and West sides being served on alternate Sundays. Men and women met in Merrick House to organize a group to aid in finding jobs for its 3000 Veterans on their return. Old clothes drive for peoples of liberated Europe is now in full swing. Chef Carmen Angelo at Hotel Olmsted was rightfully surprised at finding two eggs within one shell. When boiled, both eggs were complete with yolks. Finally the words of our president, Harry S. Truman, as he addressed the opening of the Peace Parley at San Francisco, from the White House, gave Clevelanders and the nation at large a hope that the future of this nation is in good hands as his words give us a sound basic pattern to follow in order to insure World Peace, "Justice remains the greatest power on Earth." "To that tremendous power alone will we submit." "We must once and for all reverse the fundamental philosophy of our enemies that might makes right and prove conclusively that right has might."

CAPT. FRANK D. CENTANNI

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Camp Adair, Oregon, and later Camp White, Oregon. I was at the latter Camp that he was promoted to a Captain in July 1943.

Captain Centanni had his second leave during the Christmas Holidays of 1943. Shortly after he took an advance Infantry Course at Ft. Benning, Georgia — going overseas May 1944.

He was in New Guinea, in the battle of the Philippines and Luzon. It was in Corregidor that he volunteered, or the way back from the scene of battle, to contact a lost patrol (for Frank never asked his men to do anything that he himself would not attempt first). While doing so, and at some distance ahead of his own platoon — he was trapped by the Japs, and killed instantly.

Mr. Anthony Centanni received a letter from the Chaplain of Frank's Division, which is a glowing tribute to the wonderful man he was. And, as one of his fellow officers so realistically puts it, "he was the cleanest man I have ever seen."

The Captain also leaves five brothers, Charles, Joseph, Sgt. Leonard in Germany, Pharm. Mate 2/c Gustave in the Pacific, and Jack, and three sisters, Antoinette, Mrs. Mary Funk, and Mrs. Grace Girard.

A Memorial Mass was offered Sunday, May 6, at 10:00 A. M. One hundred firemen marched in a body from Clark Ave., with Honor Guards bearing the American and the Legion flags, to St. Rocco's Church to attend the service. Safety Director Frank Celebrezze was also present. It seemed fitting that Captain Centanni's Memorial Mass should be held during the Forty Hours' Devotion, in which the Blessed Sacrament is exposed. Fr. S. Gattuso, O.D.M., gave a beautiful talk, and also read the letter written by the Chaplain. At the end of the service, the American Flag was presented to Mr. Anthony Centanni, together with the Gold Star Banner — while his sister Antoinette was presented with a bouquet of flowers.

APRIL FOOL'S DAY

No one seems to know how it all started but the fact remains that for over 365 years April 1st has been known as April fool's day. It has not been accepted nationally as a legal holiday but the fact remains that it is universally recognized as the day when good clean practical jokes are in order.

Most historians seem to believe that its was copied by the English from the French.

From time immemorial the Vernal Equinox has been observed by all peoples and up until the time that Pope Gregory introduced the new calendar that date was observed as the first of the year and New Year's day started a full week of celebrations ending on the eight day with the exchange of gifts. With the adoption of the Gregorian, our present calendar, March 21st was no longer considered as the new year day. France was the first to adopt the Gregorian calendar and since news, in those days, traveled very slowly it was quite some time before it became universally adopted. Some people still clung to the old calendar and custom of distributing gifts and they soon became known as April fools. So it was that in France April 1st limited to the morning hours. Anyone practicing fooling and being fooled. The custom then spread to England and other countries beyond.

In some sections of England the practice of fooling is limited to the morning hours. Anyone practicing fooling after the noon hour becomes the fool instead of the fooler. That accounts for the expression "April Fool is past and you're the biggest fool at last." In Mexico, a custom somewhat similar to this is practiced by children on their parents on December 28th. There they borrow small sums of money and give a valueless trinket in return.



LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

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THAT THEIR ETERNAL REST MAY

NEVER AGAIN BE DISTURBED

Once more we must face the loss of two of our brave boys in action. Their bodies lay in hallowed soil on the war torn continent of Europe. As we ponder, our minds go back to those youths of 1917 and 1918 whose eternal rest has been disturbed by the horrors of this second world war. We must hope and pray that these, our boys, who have given their lives in this conflict may never have their rest disturbed. This is our goal and may God grant us its achievement.

PFC. ROCCO J. CIOCCA



Fate deals strange blows to us mortals on earth, at times, and it is ironic that Pfc. Rocco J. Ciocca, 24, should lose his life in an auto accident while serving his country after having gone through many dangers while doing his duty as a member of a medical battalion, since last August. Rocco was riding in an ambulance which skidded over a bridge into a river, causing his death by drowning on May 5th, just three days before V-E day.

Pfc. Ciocca was a graduate of Lincoln High and a well known football star there. He worked at McGean Chemical after his graduation and in


June 1942 married the former Miss Florence Cola. He was inducted into the Army in October 1942 and was sent overseas in August 1944. In his last letter he wrote to say that he was getting along swell and was always dreaming of the day when he could return home to his loved ones.

Besides his wife, Rocco is survived by a son Larry, one and a half years old, his mother, Mrs. Stella Ciocca, of 3137 W. 31st St., two sisters, Mrs. Frank Gentile and Betty, and three brothers, Sgt. Louis, in Oklahoma, Fireman Frank, in Chicago and Corp. Philip, in Germany.

A Requiem High Mass was said for the repose of his soul at St. Rocco's Church.

The Gazette staff extends their sympathy to the bereaved family in their grief.

SGT. JOHN R. SUGLIO




Once again it becomes our sad duty to report that another of our boys has paid the supreme sacrifice.

Sgt. John R. Suglio, who was listed as missing in action since Feb. 20, has been reported as killed in action as of that date. In his last letter home, Johnny wrote to say he was quite well and he was continually praying for safe deliverance. We feel certain that Johnny is watching over us from his place on high and continuing his prayers that this world may soon be at peace.

A High Mass will be said for the repose of his soul, at St. Rocco's

Church in the near future. Besides his parents, Sgt. Suglio is survived by two brothers, Sgt. Frank and Tony and a sister, Mrs. Mary Dadante. The Gazette staff and St. Rocco's Parish extend their sympathies to the bereaved family and pray that the Divine Saviour grants them strength in this, their hour of grief.

MISSING IN ACTION



Donald D'Auito S1-c, 19, enlisted in the Navy over a year ago. He received his training at Great Lakes, Illinois, and also at Norfolk, Virginia.

He had two leaves — one in May, and another in September. From Norfolk, he was sent to New York, then to Bermuda — and Pearl Harbor. He was on the Destroyer, U.S.S. Drexler, and during the invasion of Okinawa, the ship was sunk.

Donald's sister, Mrs. Carmela Severs, received a telegram from the War Department that Donald was reported as missing in action. As yet, no other word has been received concerning

him. In his last letter he wrote to say that he expected action soon but hoped that with a fair wind and the Will of God, he would come out safely.

We are all praying that Don will be home safe and soon. Donald also was a member of the Sante Catholic Union.

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EDITORIAL

Nothing is more significant or can better portray the great love that our Blessed Mother has for us mortals here on earth, than the great gift that she bestowed on us and especially our brave boys fighting in Europe as well as to the peoples of Europe in general.

The one thing that we have striven for during a period of almost seven years: "Peace in Europe" or as designated by our leaderrs, V-E Day.

May, as we all know, is the month that the Mother Church has dedicated to Our Blessed Virgin, that we may show our love and respect for her in a special manner. It is the month, when in all parts of the world, our children are first introduced to that wonderful sacrament of our Catholic church — First Communion. We direct our prayers during May to our Blessed Mother, that she may guide us through our troubles and show us the way to overcome the obstacles of life.

Let us bow our heads in prayer and thank Our Blessed Mother for this wonderful gift she has bestowed on us during this May of 1945. Let us now implore Her to grant us a complete victory and lasting peace so our boys can return home soon. Let us implore Her and Our Divine Master to enlighten the minds of our delegates at the Peace Conference to formulate a peace that will be tempered with justice for all the peoples involved. A peace that will not only recognize the rights of the mighty and the victorious, but one that will guarantee the Godgiven gift of a peaceful and plentiful existence to all peoples throughout the world.

Pastor's Message**MY DEAR BOYS:**

I am starting these few lines with a heartfelt thanks to the Sacred Heart and Our Blessed Mother of Mercy. First of all we have all reasons to be thankful for the liberation of all the five prisoners of our parish: **John Santosuosso, Vito Di Ciolla, Blease Valore, Peter Anguilano and Albert Marano.** From their appearance at the time of their arrival back to their truly sweet home we must say, good old Uncle Sam knows how to build his boys up quickly. The boys themselves confirm that with their enthusiasm for, the almost childish way they were fed and fed and fed. They could have everything they could possibly eat: cake, milk-ice cream, donuts, steaks (of blessed memory to us civilians), mashed, fried, boiled etc., potatoes, all kinds of vegetables etc., etc. The good old man really loves his boys!

The other reason we are thankful is that no casualties (except the missing of Donald D'Aiuto off Okinawa) have happened since the last issue. Another good reason we are happy is the coming home of several other soldiers after they have done their share in many battlefields. Others will be home for good in the next few weeks and months. The old neighborhood starts to live again. I imagine that wedding bells will be ringing again. Boy! this year we are slow in this very important point of our program: **Watch us grow!** On the other hand we have had more baptisms, that is more young, splendid American citizens: Of course the day of days will be when Japan too will ask for peace, which we hope will be soon!

One thing I must praise all these boys for, all of you, my boys, is your modesty. So many have been decorated, some more than once — and still nobody wants to speak about it, very few care to wear the correspondent ribbons and stars, just because they may seem to be bragging. We care, we are proud of your bravery!

Soon we may see some of the brides you will bring or send from Europe. Two from England, one from Italy; we will welcome them cordially and receive them into the membership of our parish.

My dear boys, kindly read this carefully. You know how many years I have laboured in our parish: it was twenty years last January 29. Once again I find myself at a cross-road in the life of our parish. I am firmly convinced that we need the building of a permanent church at it was planned originally since 1926 when our building program had its beginning. Building a church is not an easy matter; it will take quite a bit of money and patience. I need all the possible help I can get from all. I need your help too. In the name of Our Lord I ask you to give \$50.00 each towards this work. The majority of you will do so promptly; others may feel somehow cold. Any way help me; I should say help yourself. The church will be yours, of those little children you are dreaming about for the time when God will provide you with a good wife. I know that I can count on you. Show the folks at home what the boys in the service can do.

God bless you, keep you, protect you.

Rev. Fr. S. Gattuso, O.D.M.

Pastor.



Roll of Honor



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Pvt. Joe Amoroso
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Pvt. Anthony Anguilano, U.S.M.C.
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S/Sgt. Sam Anguilano
Mario Amato
Cpl. Michael Antonelli
T/Sgt. Frank Antonucci *
Pvt. F. Anzalone
Cpl. Vito Ardito *
Pvt. Louis Armagno
Louis Armagno, S1-c
Pvt. James Artwell
Pvt. Robert Artwell
Pvt. Sam Aversano

T-Cpl. Lawrence Bailer *
Pfc. Concetto Balbo
T/S Thomas Balbo
Sgt. Louis Ballachino
Pfc. Joseph Bartolozzi
Pfc. Fred Battaglia
Pfc. Raymond Battaglia
Cpl. Tony Battista *
Pvt. Dante Bellini
Troy Bellini, P.H.M. 3-c
Sgt. Rudolph Bergantino
Eugene Bettinezza
Angelo A. Bacchini, SK3c
Sgt. Sam Bonfiglio
Charles Bontempo, S3-c
Sam Boscarello, U.S.N.
Pvt. Anthony Brandolino
Pfc. Livio Brianesco
Pfc. Rino Brianesco
Pvt. Sam Brooks *
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Cpl. Ulderico Brucchieri
Pvt. Vito M. Brucchieri
Pfc. Albert Bruno
Cpl. Anthony Bruno
Pvt. Herman Bruno *
August Bruno, S.C.
Cpl. John Buo

Pfc. Sam Calandra
Sgt. Angelo Caporaso
Pvt. James J. Cappellia
Pvt. Michael Cappelli
Pfc. Dominic Cappella
Pfc. Frank Caruso *
Cpl. Joseph Caruso
Guy Caruso A/S
Carl Carasiello
Mike Caso
Guy Caso
Sgt. Anthony Casella
Pvt. Joseph Cellura
Pvt. John Cellura
Capt. Frank Centanni **
Sgt. Loretto Cianfarani
Pvt. Joseph Camerata
Pvt. Joseph Camerato *
Cpl. Blase Camerato
Pfc. Theresa Camerato, WAC *
Cpl. Leonard Camerato
Pfc. Dominic Camilli
Pfc. Charles Candela **
Pvt. William Cannato
Cpl. Idalo Casino
Nello Caruso, F1-c
S-Sgt. Pt. Caso

Joseph Clemente M-3c
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Pvt. Peter Ciccone
Pvt. Frank Ciccotosto *
Pfc. Joseph Ciccotosto
Pfc. Edmund Cifani
John Ciliberto A.M.M.3c
Sgt. Patsy Ciliberto
Cpl. Felix Ciocca
Sgt. Louis Ciocca
Pfc. Rocco Ciocca **
Pfc. Ivo Cioletti
Sgt. Ugo Cioletti *
Pvt. Vito Di Ciolla
Robert Cicerchi S2c
Frank Cocchiaralee, ANM2c
Pfc. Augustine Cola
Pvt. Guido Cola
Pvt. Vincent Cipriani *

Joseph Clemente M3c
Sgt. Dominic Colino **
Pfc. Robert Collins
Vito Colona, HA1c
Sgt. Angelo Comodeco
John Comodeco WT2c
S-Sgt. Lawrence Comodeco
Pfc. Frank Cordisco
Cpl. Pat Cordisco
Pvt. Santon Cortese *
Pfc. Dante Cortezezi
Eurico Cortezezi, S2c
Cpl. Edward Cotter
Pvt. John Cuculino
Pvt. Mario Cuffari
Cpl. Ross Cuffari
Cpl. Albert Cozzarin
Cpl. Gerard Cozzarin
Sam Caniello
Capt. Dominic Caravona, M.D. **
S/Sgt. Joseph Coniglio
Gino Cioletti S.C.2c
George Caso, F. C. *
Charles Canepa, U.S.N.
Vincent Cristantiello S1c

Donald D'Aiuto S2c
Capt. Art D'Alessandro
Pfc. Edward D'Alessandro
Pvt. Albert D'Ambrosio
D. Deacon, M.M.2c
Pvt. William De Florio
Pvt. Rocco DeLuca
Victor J. Di Angelo, S2c
Edmund D'Aiuto SK2c, U.S.C.G. *
Pvt. Anthony D'Ambrosio
Sgt. Aug. D'Ambrosio U.S.M.C.
Pfc. Peter A'Annibale, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Peter D'Ambrosio
Sgt. Alfred Dadante
Pvt. Victor Dadante *
Cpl. Michael Dadante
Pfc. Anthony Dadante
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Pvt. John Daniele
Pvt. Patsy De Angelo
Sgt. Sam De Angelo
Pvt. Frank De Bellis **
Salvatore De Bellis S1c
S-Sgt. Vito De Bellis
Cpl. Rosario Delfino
Cpl. Nick Delia
Pvt. Pierre De Girolamo
Sgt. Leon De Intinnis
Cpl. Michael De Girolamo
Cpl. Philip Delfino, U.S.M.C.
Pfc. James Del Monte
Pfc. Harry De Marco *
Pvt. Louis De Marco
Pfc. Anthony Del Paggio
Pfc. Joseph De Phillips
Pfc. Jennie Del Paggio, USMCWR
Cpl. Ezio De Piero
Pvt. Thomas De Tardo *
Cpl. James De Tardo
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Pfc. Joseph Dettore, U.S.M.C.
S-Sgt. Peter Dettore
Cpl. Sylvester Di Cesare, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Joseph Di Ciolla
Dominic Di Concezio, M.M.2-c
Ralph Didonna
S-Sgt. Nick Di Gioia
Sgt. Joseph Di Luzio
Pvt. Rocco Di Luzio
Pfc. Sam Di Mauro
Cpl. Anthony Ducato
Cpl. Sam Durante
S/Sgt. G. J. DiCapo
S/Sgt. James Di Capo
Pvt. Edward Di Fiore
Pfc. Ignatius Di Salvo
Cpl. Joseph Enia
Pvt. Philip Enia
Pfc. Thomas Enia

Pvt. Joseph Fabri
Cpl. Emil Faiella
James Farley AMM3c
Sgt. Jerry Fatone
Pvt. Frank Faustino **
Pvt. Frank Felice
Pfc. Peter Favino
T-5 Guido Favograsso
Pvt. Dominic Favorito
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Pfc. Henry Ferrini
Paul M. Finelli, S.M.3c
Pvt. Americo Fior
Edward Floro, MU2c
Pvt. Mario Floro
Pvt. Guy Fortunato
Pvt. Jerry Fortunato
Pfc. Gene Francescangelo
Cpl. Jerry Francescangelo
Pvt. Alphone Fusco
Pvt. Joseph Furio
Carl S. Fusco HA1c
Ivo Francescangelo

Cpl. Pat Gagliardi *
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Pfc. Sam Galiota *
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Michael Gallucci, S1-c
Pvt. Raymond Gallucci *
Pvt. Louis Galmarino
Pvt. Louis Gangale
Sgt. Alfred Gargano
Pfc. Joseph Gargano
Pfc. Carmel Genco
S-Sgt. Salvatore Geraci
Sgt. A. A. Gesualdo
Pvt. Albert Giancaterino
Pfc. Mario Giancaterino
Leonard Giangrande, S1-c
Pvt. Peter Giglioti
Pvt. Victor Giglioti
Pvt. James Giovinnazzi
Pvt. Armado Girardi
Pvt. Edward Girard
Cpl. Joseph Girard
Pvt. Joseph Girard
T/5 John Girardi
T/5 James Girard Jr.
S-Sgt. Michael Girard
Cpl. Rocco Girard
Sgt. Frank Glatzoefer
Pvt. Ruddy Gori
Sgt. Leonard Grabowski **
Pfc. Mario Grassi
Pvt. Tullio Grassi **
Pvt. Joseph Grassi
Pfc. Mickey Gratson
Cpl. Albert Gregorio
Pvt. Elward Gross
Robert Gubana, F1-c
Pfc. Robert Guerici
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T-5 John Gullo
Cpl. Ray Gullo

Joseph Gullo R. D. M3c
Pvt. Eugene Gulotta
Cpl. Ferdinand Guzzo *
Cpl. Gaetano Guzzo
Sgt. Thomas Guzzo
Rudolph Guzzo
Pfc. Frank Gallucci

Kenneth Heyer M3-c

Pvt. Jerry IlGiovine *
Pfc. Basil Imburgia
Pvt. David A. Imburgia
Pvt. Joseph Incorvia
Cpl. Daniel Indelicati
Pvt. Joseph Indelicati

Pvt. William Keckan, U.S.M.C.
Sgt. Edward Kelley
Sam Krsulovic
Thomas Kuhar

Pvt. Carl Lanzetta
Cpl. Fred LaRocca
Pfc. Epifanio LaRocca
Pfc. Thomas LaRocca
Sgt. Paul LaRocca
T/5 John La Russa
T/3 Angelo Larussa
Pvt. Dante Laudi
Cpl. Louis Lauria
Pvt. Leonard Leona U.S.M.C.
Maj. John Leacacos
Pfc. Arthur Lettiere
Cpl. John Lioce
August Lisi, S2-c
Sgt. Tony Lonero
Cpl. Andrew Lonero
Sgt. Frank Lonero
Pvt. Vincent Lucarino

Pfc. Dominic Mamone
Vincent Mancuso RM3c
Pvt. Dan Mangini
Pvt. James Mangano
Pvt. Floyd J. Marano
Roland Manani
S1c Albert Marano
James Marchiano F2c
Mike Marconci S2c
Pvt. Louis Marconi
Pvt. Angelo Martin
Pvt. Joseph Martin
Sgt. Casper Marconi
Cpl. Roland Marconi
Pvt. Peter Mazzeo *
S-Sgt. Angelo Mazzone
Pvt. Carl Mazzone
Louis Mazzone, SPX3-c
Cpl. Nick Mazzone
Sgt. Peter Mazzone
James Mazzone
Frank Mazzulo, S1c
Pvt. Henry Melari
Cpl. Michael Melfi, U.S.M.C.
Pfc. Alfred Melillo
Pfc. James Melillo
Pvt. Leonard Melillo
Pfc. Raymond Melillo *
Pvt. Patsy Mercurio
Pvt. Joseph Messuri **
1st Lieut. John Messuri
Pvt. Edwin Miller
George Minello S1c
Pvt. John Minello
Pvt. Daniel Miranda
Cpl. Aldo Molina
1st Lieut. Jack Molina
Pvt. Mario Molina
Cpl. Eurico Molinari
Gino Monai, F1-c
Pvt. John Monteleone

Anth. Monte, A.M.M.I.2c
Pfc. Anthony Morelli
Cpl. Aldo Morettin
Cpl. Sam Maira
E. M. Morgan
Anthony Negro, TM3c
Corp. Lee Nicolas
Pvt. Nunzio Nero
Pvt. Michael Nero
Corp. Livo Nero
Pvt. Lawrence Oberti
Pfc. Elmer O'Neil, U.S.M.C.
Lieut. James O'Reilly

Pvt. Carl Pacino
Cpl. Dante Palange
Pvt. Mario Palange
A. C. Dominic Palumbo
Pvt. Fred Palumbo
Sgt. Edward Paoletta
Pvt. Leonard Paradise
Pvt. Michael Paradise
Pvt. Joseph Paradise
Sgt. Emil Paoletta
Henry Paoletta PM3c
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Pfc. Nick Paoletta
Cpl. O'Neil Paolucci
Cpl. Silbert Paolucci
Cpl. William Papay
Pvt. Mike Papowniak
Cpl. Albis Pascal
Pvt. Leo Pascal
Corp. Vito Pascale
Sgt. Norman Patten
Pvt. Paul Pavia
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Pvt. Richard Petrella
Pvt. Frank Petrella
S-Sgt. John Petric, Jr.
T-Sgt. Steve Petruzzi
Pvt. Angelo Pettiti*
T-5 Peter Pettiti
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Cpl. Mario Piastrelli

Pvt. Silvio Pinali
Cpl. John Piriggi
Pfc. Frank Pironelli*
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Cpl. Benny Ponzani
Pvt. Rocco Porcelli*
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T-Sgt. Carl Principe
Pvt. Paul Puleo
Sgt. Ralph Puntel
Sgt. Dominic Ragon
Pvt. Robert Ragone
Michael Ramunni MM3c
Pvt. Michael Reddish
Cpl. Michael Riccardi
Pvt. Albert Ricchetti
Pvt. Paul Ricchetti
Sgt. Carl Ricchetti
A-C Augustine Raineri *
Paul A. Ricchetti, MM3-c
Cpl. Angelo Ricciardi
Cpl. Phillip Ricciardi
H. Riccardi MM3-c
Cpl. John Ripepi
Pvt. Louis Ripepi
Cpl. Louis Rizzo
Sgt. Carl Rodano
Pvt. Joseph Romeo
Pvt. Raymond Ronzato
Pvt. Paul Rubino
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T/4 Joseph Russo
Pfc. Augustine Russo
S-Sgt. James Rutti
Pfc. James Rutti, Jr.
Sgt. Rocco Rutti
Pvt. Anthony Salvatore
Henry Sabatis, S2-c
Romeo Sabatis, S2-c
Cpl. Frank Saccone
T/3 Angelo Samssa
Charles Sanchez SK3-c
Cpl. Nick Sanitato
Pvt. Philip Santamaria
Cpl. Louis Sanders
Pvt. Nick Santioemma
S/Sgt. Jon Santosuosso
Pvt. Guy Sanvido *

Cpl. Salvatore Saso
Pvt. Joseph Scalia, U.S.M.C.
Pvt. Sam Scarvelli
Pfc. Chester Scarci
Pvt. Frank Scarpelli
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Mike Seaman, S3-c
Sgt. Louis Sforzo
Pfc. John Simiele
Cpl. Joseph Spinelli
Pvt. Mike Spinelli
Pfc. Carmen Stavole
Pvt. Frank Stella
Anthony Strizzi, M.S.2-c
Sgt. Frank Suglio
Sgt. John Suglia **
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Sgt. Charles Simaks
1/Sgt. V. B. Tomozic
Sgt. Sam Taromina
Stg. James Timateo
Sgt. Victor Tobacco
Pvt. Guilo Tofanetti
Pvt. Orlando Tonti
Cpl. James Tortelli
Nick Tortelli, F2-c
Pvt. Albert Toscano
Pvt. Joseph Toscano
Pvt. Elio Toscano
Cpl. Julius Trombetto
S1-c Mario Troncone
Pfc. Sylvester Trunkett
Louis Tubero PmM3c
Pfc. Eli Turchetto
Pvt. Geo. Timoteo
Pfc. Adelbert Velloney
Pvt. Vincent Ventrone
Cpl. Augustine Viglione
Donald Viglione, S2-c

Cpl. Deminic P. Violini
John Violini S2c
Pfc. Louis Vitale
Cpl. Mark Vulpio

Pvt. John Washelesky
Sgt. Patsy Williams**
Donald Williams S2-c

George Zaccaro *
Joseph Zaccaro U.S.N. *
Pvt. Michael Zaccaro **
Thomas Zaccaro F1-c
Pvt. Philip Zaccaro *
Sgt. Anthony Zanzano
Pvt. Joseph Zannoni *
Eddy Zatter U.S.N. *
Pvt. Secondino Zazzaro
S-Sgt. Michael Zona

Pvt. Ardito Nunzio
Amata Mario—Navy
Pvt. Peter Biancofiore
Boscarello Joseph—Navy
Nick Ciocca—Navy
Michale Carosielli—Navy
Philip Didonna
Dominic Di Lorenzo
Pvt. Robert Deighton
Pvt. Anthony Di Fazio
Faenza John—Navy
Francescangeli Aldo
Francescangeli Ivo
Pvt. Joseph Fabrizio
Pvt. Anthony Lauria
Pvt. Melvin L. Lewis
Pvt. Salvatore Labagnara
Pvt. Anthony Labagnara
Vincent Mazzone
Pvt. Rowland Mangini
George Marino—Navy
Pvt. Frank Nunnari
Frank Paulini M.M.
Pvt. Alfred Palange
Pvt. Dominic Rutti
Frank Ruggero M.M.
Pvt. Vincent Schement
Pvt. Joseph Toledo

CLEVELAND SCENE

Any veteran of the monsoon weather of the South Pacific would have felt quite at home here, in Cleveland, during the month of May. We had 17 days of rain during the first 19 days of the month, but the finale brings a promise of some real May weather and plenty of sunshine.

First few days of the month were full of expectancy. What with the promise of peace in Europe expected hourly, everyone kept their radios going at all times, waiting for that news flash to proclaim V-E day. V-E day found everyone quite calm after the long week of expectancy. Everyone went about their business quite soberly. Who knows, perhaps the fact that all taverns and liquor stores were closed for the day had something to do with it. Special church services were held throughout the city and a wreath was placed at the square to commemorate the memory of those who gave their lives that this day might be possible. It was a grand sight that night, throughout Cleveland and especially in the downtown, to see everything ablaze with light for the first time since the brown out had gone into effect. Topers were happy with the thought that taverns would be open an extra hour—till 3:30 in the city—due to the conflicting difference in time between the city and the rest of the state. -- Plans going forward to welcome Vets as they return from the fronts. -- Families throughout the city rejoice as they receive telegrams containing those grand words, "Be home soon." -- Catholic Charities campaign in full swing throughout the diocese. -- Many churches having First Communion classes, including St. Rocco's. -- Knights of St. John attend Memorial Mass at St. Peter's church, Sunday, May 9th. Mass was dedicated to mem-

bers of the organization who have paid supreme sacrifice on the battlefields. Prayers were offered for safe deliverance of all members in the armed forces. Mothers and relatives of servicemen were invited and attended in good numbers as did the Auxiliaries in uniform. -- Knights of St. John Commandery convened for their regular annual delegates meeting at Hotel Cleveland, Sunday, May 26th. -- Brooklyn Council of K of C attended Mass and breakfast at St. Rocco's, Sunday, May 23rd. -- Fifteen priests ordained at the Cathedral on Saturday, May 21th. -- Clevelanders saddened by sudden death of Fr. Thomas E. McKenney, of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish. He was stricken while preaching at the twelve o'clock Mass being celebrated by the newly ordained Fr. Francis J. Voiner. -- Lady of Good Counsel Church was sight of busy doings at the three new marble altars for they were blessed on Sunday, May 27th. -- The 7th War Loan drive launched with dedication of Heroes' Square on north east corner of Public Square. Enlarged photos of 130 of city's heroes, who gave their lives for their country, have been placed there. They serve as a reminder of the need to back, to the full, this war loan drive. -- Paper salvage drive gathering momentum with schools, scouts and community groups preparing their paper for collection day which shall be June 3. -- V. F. W. and American Legion conducting "Poppie Day" sales in commemoration of Decoration day. Societies and parishioners of St. Rocco's, together with other civic organizations, to march to St. Mary's Cemetery for Memorial day Services. -- 55,000 persons visited Fisher Bomber Plant, near airport, during open house invitation on Sunday, May 20th.

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Marie Manfredi

★ UP-TO-DATE FLASHES ★

ACROSS THE POND:

Pfc. Dante Laudi is in Germany, and in the Infantry in Patton's Third Army -- Pfc. Jerry Fortunato is now in Austria. Overseas 6 months, he has been awarded the ETO Ribbon, Infantry Combat Badge, and the Purple Heart. He was wounded in the foot by a German 88, near the Inn River, but he is well on the road to recovery. His outfit also liberated 4000 American prisoners -- In Marsielle, France, Cpl. Anthony Ducato informs us that he has been receiving the **Gazette** right along, and really enjoys reading it.

S/Sgt. Joe DiLuzio is in China, the Mystic Land, and writes that the Chinese soldiers are brave, fearless, and with America's aid will do all they can to end the war with Japan. Joe also says that the **Gazette** is the brightest spot there is in his mail. -- Sgt. Vic Tabacco is now in England. -- Louis J. Doria S2-c is a radio operator, and at present is on Treasure Island, San Francisco, Calif. waiting to be assigned to a ship. -- Somewhere in the South Pacific in Aircraft Maintenance Unit, is Cpl. James DeTardo. -- Sgt. Loretto Cianfarani, Germany, received the Bronze Medal of Valor, and has been in four major battles. -- Now in Czechoslovakia is T/5 James Girard. -- FO Thomas Balbo has been a Navigator since January, and has been on three missions already. -- 1/Sgt. Marion Tomozic WAC took in the sights of Paris, and is now enjoying Bonnie Scotland. -- Pfc. Basil Imburgia met with an accident in Germany -- breaking his arm, he is now in a hospital in France. -- Pfc. Ray Battaglia has five battle stars, has 68 points, and informs us that he will soon be home on furlough.

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

Sgt. Mike Girard is at Lake Charles, Louisiana, and is the proud father of a baby boy -- named Wayne Richard. -- Pvt. Anthony Labagnara is stationed at Ft. McClellan, Alabama, and his brother, Pvt. Salvatore, is at Camp Rucker, Alabama in the Infantry. -- At Kearns Army Air Base Unit in Salt Lake, Utah, is Sgt. Frank Glatzhofer. -- T/5 Sam Calandra is at Yuma, Arizona. -- Cpl. Mike Zanzano is in the Air Corps, and stationed at Ft. Meyer, Florida. Recently he was home on furlough. -- Pfc. Nick Paolletta is taking in California these days. -- Gino Cioletti S. C-2c is in San Francisco. His wife and child are visiting him, until his transfer to the Pacific theatre of war. -- Sgt. Angelo Caporasso has been transferred to the Combat Engineers Corps at Camp Woods, Mississippi.

SIGHTS ON THE HOME FRONT:

Wedding bells are still a popular feature here: Miss Lucille Trivisanno and Michael Petruziello were married at Holy Rosary Church in June.

Mr. Vincenzo DeBellis announced the marriage of his daughter Lena to Mr. John B. Wilson. The ceremony took place at St. Cecelia Church in Hollywood, California.

The following have received honorable discharges, and it's grand to see them around the neighborhood again. Frank Antonucci, Sam Brooks, James Melillo, Lee Nicholas and James Rutti.

Pvt. Evo Francescangelo was home for 11 days -- delay in route -- on the way to Camp Rucker, Alabama. In the Army since February, Evo is in the Infantry. -- Mrs.

Theresa Ragone received a visit from a Cleveland Heights soldier, who was liberated from a German Camp by her son Robert. -- Mr. V. DeBellis was posthumously given the Bronze Star for his son Frank, who was killed in action on D Day.

Stork News: The Al Cianfarani's are the proud parents of a baby girl. And the Lawrence Bailer's have a baby boy now.

California-ways: The trend seems to be toward California these days -- must be the unsettled Cleveland weather that makes California so inviting. The following parishioners are either making their home there or visiting. Mr. and Mrs. Landro (nee' Mary Casella), Mr. and Mrs. Joe Aquillo, Mrs. John Spera, and the Misses Rose and Mary Fiorelli.

Mrs. Corrado and her daughter Virginia have just returned from a trip to Utica, N. Y., to visit relatives residing there.

The annual May Crowning held on the last day of May this year was a beautiful ceremony and tribute to Our Mother, Queen of the May. The Young Ladies' Sodality participated in the ceremony, wearing pastel summer gowns, and carrying peonies, which they placed on the altar of the Blessed Virgin. Miss Antoinette Armagno, in a white chiffon gown crowned the statue of Our Blessed Lady, while the St. Agnes Sodality, the First Communion children, and the altar boys sang songs in tribute to our Mother. An inspiring sermon was given by Rev. Fr. Gattuso.

The campaign for the building of our new church will officially begin July 12, with a campaign dinner at Boiardi's. Senator Burton, Mayor Burke, Safety Director Celebrezze, and Bishop Hoban's representative will all be present.

Quarterly Communion of the K of C was held at St. Rocco's Church on June 17. Breakfast was served for 200 members.

St. Rocco's held a bazaar in June for four days. Various and colorful stands were on the grounds. Melodious music entertained the crowd from a loud-speaker.

We wish Edmund D'Auito a speedy recovery at Marine Hospital. Edmund fractured his leg in an accident which occurred while at work.

On the Republic Steel Baseball team, Frank Rutti broke his leg while playing against the Crile Hospital team. So Frank's at Crile Hospital too now -- and we wish him a rapid recovery.

S/Sgt. Rocco P. Rutti is home on furlough for 30 days from European Theatre of War and is going to the South Pacific after his leave.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Carosiello went to visit their son, Mike, (who is stationed at Great Lakes, Illinois), over the Fourth of July.

T/Sgt. Philip Ricci is home, after being overseas six months. In the Army for two years, Philip is a radio man in the Air Corps. He has been awarded the D.F.C. Air Medal, the A.T.O. and E.T.O. medals also. While in England, Philip met Pfc. Mario Grassi.

Home for 30 days, Philip is enjoying his furlough, and is headed for the South Pacific.

V-E DAY—CLEVELAND

That long awaited day for our city was anxiously waiting finally arrived. The day signified the end of hostilities in Europe. Clevelanders were anxiously awaiting the word of our President that would signify officially that V-E day had arrived.

All radios were turned on the morning of May 8th, 1945 to await the glorious news. Many stores, factories and places of business had procured radios especially for the purpose of hearing the broadcast.

It was a signal for an undescrivable clamor. Church bells began to ring wildly. Factory whistles, tugs, street cars and even some lumber yard crane was blowing furiously, doing its best to increase the noise. The ticker tape and paper began sailing from downtown office buildings and Cleveland streets were littered with a mass of odds and ends of paper.

The majority of downtown stores and office buildings were closed for the day and even some factories were closed to give the employees a chance to celebrate each in their own way. All civic buildings, however, did business as usual.

However, it was not an unrestrained celebration. Everyone was saddened by the thought of the boys who had given their all that this day could come true and they were also pondering the thought that was voiced in the speech of our president; that the job was only half done and we still had an arch criminal to subdue in the Pacific — the treacherous Jap — and that we must devote our time and effort to prayer and work so that the much hoped for Victory would come soon. He said that our watch-word must be Work, Work, Work.

The majority of our war plants continued to work as usual after a short pause for prayer of thanksgiving to God.

People on their way home stopped for a short pause and prayed in the churches of the city. Most of the churches had hourly services and a steady stream of worshippers was seen entering them at all hours of the day.

Very appropriately, St. Rocco's Church had the closing of the forty-hour devotion—which had been opened at 6:00 A. M. on Sunday, May 6th. Rev. Fr. Cacciaccaro, of St. Marian's church, preached the sermon and reminded the people of the parish that they were blessed in having the closing services coincide with the proclamation of V-E Day. Most Rev. Fr. Scotti officiated at the Benediction. Among the guest priests was Fr. Buen S. Jaks who has preached many a sermon at St. Rocco's.

The procession was beautiful, with the smaller girls dressed as angels, sprinkling flowers as they marched. The Alcolytes with their new red gowns and cassocks. Altogether it was an awe inspiring sight to the throng that filled the church to capacity plus. It helped us all to realize how much we had to be thankful for on this significant day.

Sunday, May 13th was set aside as a day for prayer and thanksgiving throughout the nation and Cleveland as a whole.

TRAGEDY IN OUR PARISH

We extend our sympathies to Mr. and Mrs. Quido Pietrocola on the tragic death of their daughter, Eleanor, 23.

Miss Pietrocola was riding in a car with a girl friend and two gentlemen escorts when a blowout caused the car to leave the road, overturn a few times and stop against a tree. Miss Pietrocola was killed almost instantly while the other occupants were seriously injured.

Besides her father and mother, she is survived by a brother and sister.

WE FEEL PROUD

Miss Florence A. Corrado, co-editor of our Gazette, received her BBA degree from Fenn College on Friday, May 25, at the Euclid Avenue Baptist Church. Miss Corrado is a graduate of St. Rocco's school and graduated from Lincoln at 16 years of age. During her first two years she studied as a Co-op student and finished her course of study as a night school student.

Miss Dora Casino, former co-editor of our Gazette, received her BA degree majoring in sociology at Loyola University in Chicago. Miss Casino began her college studies at John Carroll, but transferred because of Navy V-12 entering John Carroll. Last fall she received a scholarship at Loyola University to complete her course.

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CLEVELAND SCENE

"Towhee", new torpedo boat launched at E. 9th St. pier, built by American Shipyards of Cleveland. -- Workers at Cuyahoga Works — American Steel and Wire were awarded Navy "S". -- Civilian defense workers awarded Federal Merit award for services rendered at East Ohio Gas disaster. -- Bill Jack of Jack and Heintz recently returned from Germany with German precision plans and instruments — plans research work so as to use same to the best advantage. -- Russian delegation here to study plans for rehabilitation of Europe much impressed with Cleveland ore docks. -- Mutual Medical benefits plan begins to function with purpose of assisting those in need of medical services to avail themselves at lower prices. -- Mayor Burke proposing "Office of Ports and Aviation" to control all lake and air travel in and around city. Also to consolidate all matters pertaining to these in one central office. -- Motorists happy as they read of increase in stamp value, from 4 to 6 gallons per. -- Visitors at Cleveland Zoo were awarded new treat as miniature railroad began operation for ride throughout zoo grounds. -- Wild deer seem to be making an attempt of making Cleveland Heights their home. They have been seen at various times crossing roads. One crashed into a merchant's window while another entered a home, doing considerable damage to furniture and glass. Last deer census gives us an estimate of about 100 deer in our vicinity. -- Authorities confirm announcement that R. J. Wysar, of Cleveland, former President of Republic Steel, has been appointed as supervisor of Metalurgical operations in Germany. -- Randall race track open March 26. -- With advent of warm weather, Cleveland Indians also show signs of warming up. They climbed from the cellar to 5th place in the standings. Where there is life, there is hope. -- Mansfield was first, Columbus East second, while Cleveland's East Tech placed eighth in Ohio Conference Track meet, at B. W. -- Gov. Lausche, Bing Crosby, Bob Hope and Gene Ricard engaged in a golf foursome at Acacia, for benefit of Red Cross — a gallery of 12000 was there to watch the match. -- Cleveland Press launches a drive to raise \$100,000 to erect a memorial on Mall, to Cleveland's fallen heroes. Memorial to be a beautiful fountain with colored spotlights on various streams of water and roll of honor conspicuously placed on Memorial. -- St. Rocco's Sante Catholic Union held a successful dance at North Italian Hall.



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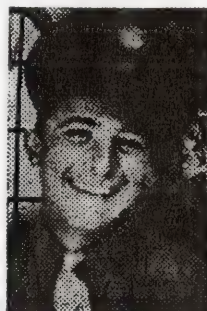
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"GOSH IT'S GREAT TO BE HOME AGAIN!"

The boys fortunate enough to be home again, whether on extended furloughs or by virtue of a discharge, have good reason to say so.

No bugler to wake him in the morning, a nice hot bath to refresh him after sleeping in a good warm bed, instead of freezing in a foxhole, a fresh shave with plenty of good toilet water, a good pair of sport pants, sport shirt, a pair of house slippers and then down to a good warm breakfast—bacon and eggs, if you can get the bacon or just plain eggs—with steaming hot coffee and perhaps a good piece of home made pie or cake.

Being Sunday, he will go to St. Rocco's for the 12:00 o'clock Mass to meet his old boy and girl friends. There will be that visit to the Sacristy, to talk with Fr. Gattuso, Fr. Severino and the others. Chicken, steak or veal cutlets with a good dish of macaroni and all the trimmings for dinner. In the afternoon maybe a little ball game or

bowling with the boys. In the evening, as is to be expected, he will ask Pop for the car. Don't forget, he has that date for the show or dancing and best of all he can wear that business suit again. He doesn't have to wear the same G. I. outfit that he used to wear everyday. No sir! it's the Sunday best for him. We won't talk about that date. We are sure he had a good time. We aren't afraid to bet either that if you ask him he'll say, "It sure feels good to get up to go to work on Monday morning." To meet some of the old gang and know that Saturday is payday and he will soon be able to put some of those plans he had been dreaming about into effect.

We know that this is the dream of every serviceman, and so we feel certain that with the help of God, the perseverance and courage as shown by our boys on all fronts and the cooperation of all of us on the home front it will soon become a reality for all our boys and a blessing for everyone.

DONALD D'AIUTO



St. Rocco's Parish once again bows its head in prayer at the sad news that another of its servicemen has paid the supreme sacrifice in the service of his country.

Donald D'Aiuto S1-c was reported as having lost his life aboard the U. S. Drexler, which sank in the Pacific waters during the invasion of Okinawa.

Donald had been reported as missing but the Navy has since notified his sister, Mrs. Carmela Severs, that he lost his life on the date he was reported missing.

He was an active member of the Sante Catholic Union and was seen frequently around St. Rocco's Church.

Besides his sister Donald is survived by two brothers Dimo and Dolly. His parents having preceded him into the great beyond. We feel certain they are all united in prayer that this terrible holocaust may soon end and the peoples of this earth may enjoy peace.

Donald is the 16th member of our parish to pay the supreme sacrifice and the second in the Pacific theatre.

His memory will be honored with a Requiem High Mass and the prayers of the entire parish.

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**"TO CREATE AN ENDURING PEACE UNDER
THE GUIDANCE OF GOD"**

with these words, our president Harry S. Truman sounded the closing note to the San Francisco Conference for World Peace. Much has been done by these delegates assembled for a common cause, the establishing of world peace. They have proven, by their deliberations, the wonderful spirit of cooperation that exists, and it was proven during the battle of Europe, between the allied nations. The allies have cooperated to achieve the victory in Europe, a victory that required the full cooperation of all concerned, since they were battling an enemy in whom the force of evil was too firmly entrenched; an enemy who had lost all sense of decency, of love of fellowman and the Love of God; an enemy who ruled with only one purpose in mind—to use the world for their own particular purpose and to achieve this end by fair or foul. The people of the world and especially our enemies have slipped by the wayside and have forgotten the teachings of God. Few, if any, respect the Ten Commandments, which are the basis for good peaceful living. If we want to achieve real peace we can only do it under the guidance of God and by truly obeying His Commandments. Deep in our hearts we all realize that this is the right way to conduct our lives, but the ways of the transgressor always seem the easier when in reality its ultimate results are ruin and desolation, as has been proven by this holocaust. Let us then be truthful, as individuals and as nations and abide by what we truthfully know to be right, so that the world can really be at peace and we can justly say that it has been achieved "under the guidance of God."

ITS A BEAUTIFUL SIGHT

Its a wonderful sight to see those boys home on furlough or discharge after having gone through the many sufferings of battle and imprisonment in the many prison camps throughout Germany or Japan.

It is small wonder that they all raise their voices to God in thanks for bringing them safely through these troubles. Many of them had lost weight, yes some even contracted sickness which they must slowly overcome, but the best cure for all are those good old fashioned home cooked meals that their mothers put on their tables that soon puts the color back in their cheeks and the weight back on their bones. Its a wonderful sight to see them enjoying themselves in the company of their families and the old friends. It helps us to realize what a wonderful world this can really be when the happenings of this terrible war can be relegated to history and we can put forth our every effort towards peaceful endeavors side by side with the rest of the world and the men of this war who have made it possible.

We look forward to the day when no longer will our hearts be filled with anguish but with joy. The joy that comes from living in a world dedicated to peace and brotherly love towards our fellowmen.

So welcome home and may your hearts ever be full of that joy and happiness you are now enjoying amid your loved ones.

PFC. LEONARD MELILLO just can't believe that he's really home, after an absence of 25 months. Lenny has been in the Army over two years, and has never had a furlough, for he was shipped overseas after he had completed his 3 months training in the states. He has been in three major battles — N. France, Central Germany and the Rhine River, and operated a 4.2 Chemical Mortar. He has been in Scotland, Wales, England, France, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia and was connected with the 1st, 9th, and 3rd Armies at different periods of his overseas duty. While in France Lenny learned to speak French quite fluently, and he has many humorous stories and experiences to relate.

CPL. JAMES GIRARD home for 30 days, has been in the service 2½ years, and overseas 9 months in the 87th Cavalry Recon. Troop, as an Armored Car Driver. Jim has been in three major battles, Rhine — Ardennes, and Germany. He has been in England, France, Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg, and Czechoslovakia — in the 3rd Army most of the time. Jim and Joe Russo have been together ever since they have entered the service, and even came home together, they were both in the same outfit overseas. Jim is to report at Ft. Benning, Ga., when his furlough has terminated.

PFC. FLOYD MORANO, who was reported as missing in action last December, is now enjoying a furlough home for 80 days. In the service for 25 months, Floyd was in the Infantry in the First Army, 1st Division, and was overseas for 10 months. He participated in two major battles N. France, and Germany, and fought in the forest most of the time — Hergaun Forest in Germany, Aachen, and several other small towns. It was in the Hergaun Forest that Floyd was captured by the Germans. He was reported as missing in December, and in January his mother was notified by the War Department that Floyd was a German prisoner. Floyd was in several German camps — in Sudetanland, Limburg, and in Czechoslovakia — it was at the latter camp that Floyd was liberated by the Russians on May 8th.

Floyd was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge, and ETO ribbon with 2 battle stars. At the end of his furlough, he is to report to Miami, Florida.

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CLEVELAND SCENE

Cleveland was host to many in recent weeks with Eddie Cantor at Public Hall for Ward Bond Show. Duke of Windsor here to study American business methods in regards to railroads. Indulged in a few rounds of golf and toured a few night spots. Guy Lombardo filled one week's engagement at Palace; followed by Rochester, of Jack Benny fame. Cain Park Theatre players present "Snafu", well known comedy. Moore gained technical KO over Marshall at stadium. Paul O'Dea declared 4-F by draft board due to limited vision. Indians fighting hard for cellar position. Youth proved its superiority when the Hudson boy's farm team beat Cleveland Council team in a baseball game by score of 7 to 6. "Here's your Infantry" show held at Shaw stadium was huge success. Flag day parade was a magnificent spectacle. "Festival of Freedom" attracted a huge crowd to stadium. Chaplain Fr. O'Malley of S. S. Franklin fame was present for an address—celebration topped with fireworks. LST-513 in Cleveland with full complement of Marines. Navy and Coastguard to put on full scale mock invasion on Lake Shore near E. 9th St. pier. Case school designated as "Little Annapolis" as part of postwar plan. B. W. University celebrated 100th anniversary. Notre Dame graduates 68 damsels. World War II vets enjoying great success at Fenn. Central Hi class of 1895 plan reunion. St. Ignatius Hi graduates 175 students, among them Anthony Mazzarella and Joseph Isabella of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Mission. Joe receiving First Honor Gold Pin. Both members of Knights of St. John, at St. Rocco's. St. Rocco graduates 18th class. Fr. Kelly, of Annunciation Parish assigned to St. Ignatius due to death of pastor. Fr. I. Paulus assistant at St. Michael's was assigned to Holy Trinity

Parish at pastor. Rev. Fr. Towell said First Mass as pastor of newly formed St. Agatha's Parish in Rosedale Elementary school. On July 1st on the east side. St. Mark's formed as a new Parish on west side, vicinity of Rocky River Drive. Confraternity of monks of Notre Dame College purchase estate near Chagrin Falls, for prep school. Particular Council of St. Vincent de Paul Society, attend Communion and breakfast at St. Rocco's Church, on Sunday, July 22. — 200 men attended. Bishop Hoban offered up sacrifice of the Mass. 3500 Boy Scouts attend camp at Camp Mastick. Mayor Sims of Euclid proposes outdoor auditorium for Euclid's war dead. Mayor Cain, of Cleveland Hts. since 1910, to retire Dec. 31, 1945. Gov. Lausche leaves concert ticket at home, unrecognized, refused admission hears concert on auto radio. Non-partisan primaries set for July 31 to facilitate servicemen vote. Mayor Burke, councilman Ray C. Miller and George B. Harris, candidates for Mayor. Lucas appointed as new postmaster. Memorial fountain to be built on Cleveland Mall. Underground garage also proposed. East Ohio Gas Co. to build modern two story garage at site of old storage tanks on E. 62nd St., also other administration buildings. 64 suite apartment to be erected on East side to ease housing shortage. Cleveland Zoo operates animal circus. Wild animals being trained, include 2 lion cubs, baby faun found near Bedford turned over to zoo after being bottle fed for 2 days. Public Square pigeons being captured by thousands and also singly, local citizen captured three near library, probably due to meat shortage. Stray lamb on E. 9th St. avoids sudden death and the dinner table when captured by S.P.C.A. E. Niners mourn loss of Gillsy Bar, est. 1907, to be closed in favor of

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LIBERATED

S/Sgt. John Santosuosso believes he is one of the luckiest and happiest fellows to be back home again, after being interned 14 months as a German prisoner.

In the Army 2½ years, Johnny was a Gunner on a B-17 in the Air Force. He had a short furlough before going overseas in November 1943, and was then sent to England.

It was in February 1944, while flying out of England on his fifth mission, (the target for the day was Frankfurt, Germany), that John's plane was shot down. He bailed out, and landed somewhere in France, and taken prisoner immediately. Johnny was at three different German camps—Lithuania, East Prussia, and Germany.

After fifty-three days of marching across Germany, on April 16, of this year, John and his fellow prisoners were liberated by a British Armored Division in Brockhofe. Then to France, where he boarded a ship back again to the good old U. S. A., and to Camp Atterbury, where his father, Mr. Mike Santosuosso drove out to take Johnny home again.

After a sixty day furlough, John is to report to a camp in Florida.

Johnny says "hello" to all the boys, and wishes the boys overseas the best of luck.

CPL. LEO PASCAL

In the March issue of the *Gazette* we reported that Cpl. Leo Pascal was taken prisoner and had been liberated. We are happy to relate that Leo is now spending some time at home with his mother and sister, Anita. He is scheduled to report to Crile General Hospital on August 13 for a check-up and then for further assignment.

The events preceding Leo's capture, as related by him in person, are rather interesting. He arrived at St. Lo six days after that battle had been under way and stayed on to the end of the battle. After the battle of St. Lo they began to go through France, riding day and night the entire month of August, with General Patton as their leader.

The months of September, October, and November were spent in Alsace-Lorraine. They were then called to the battle of Luxembourg in December where they spent Christmas and New Year's. Since they were in battle on Christmas day they had to postpone their Christmas dinner, turkey and all that goes with it, until two days later. From Luxembourg they went into Germany, across the Kiel River.

On March 4, 1945 they found themselves in the Eiffel Mountains with a company of tanks. The Germans used anti-tank guns, hitting a few tanks causing them to burn. The Infantry had accomplished their mission and were on their way back. Leo and a buddy of his were unable to get back on the tanks because they were too crowded. They found themselves with two German soldiers whom they had taken as prisoners. They were going back to the lines with the prisoners when they discovered that they had wandered over to the right too much, and as they were coming from a road off to the right the German soldiers started to yell, at which time they noticed other Germans approaching. At this point it was a turnabout—the two Germans took the two Americans (Leo and his buddy) as their prisoners.

He was a prisoner at Limburg, Germany. He was forced to march two days and all night to reach Limburg. The water supply for these two days was gotten from the streams along the way. Fortunately, however, he was treated comparatively well by the Germans. The only actual hardship he encountered was the poor food. He was forced to march a total of eight days in all the time he was a prisoner. He wasn't able to do anything at all during his entire stay in prison because they were waiting to be moved to another camp, but this was almost an impossibility because of the bombed areas surrounding.

Leo was liberated on March 31, 1945 by the 7th Armored Division. He was transported from Germany to LeHavre, on to Paris, then to New York and Cleveland—all the way

by plane.

We are indeed happy to see that he is well and back with us in the neighborhood for at least a while. His brother S/Sgt. Albis J. Pascal, a member of the Air Corps, has been overseas for two years in Tunisia. We hope to see him back with us soon.

PFC. PETER ANGUILANO

After spending his entire life in a big city, Pfc. Peter Anguilano found himself on a farm in Germany working for the German Government as an American Prisoner of War. Pete has had his share of farming (as far as he is concerned) over in Munich.

He was captured by the Germans on February 17, 1944, after having been to Africa and Italy. Prior to being sent to Germany Pete spent two and a half months in Italy as a prisoner. At the time he was captured he was stripped of all his personal belongings. The Germans kept him on the march—sixty days from Northeast Germany trying to keep them from being liberated. At the time he was captured and taken to Stalag 7A, Mosseberg, Germany, he met Vito Diciolla, also a prisoner. However, he was not able to talk to him. He merely saw him in passing.

During the months of June, July, and August, while a prisoner, he had to police up the bombed areas in Germany. He feels fortunate, however, in having been assigned to Stalag 2B, for it was here that the American Red Cross was able to provide entertainment for the prisoners. They also received parcels from the Red Cross weekly. Mass was said every day and novena services were held at night right in the prison camp. A French priest conducted the services. Other privileges afforded the prisoners included classes, libraries and recreational facilities. However, Pete relates that he was in prison camp for quite a while before he learned of the various privileges afforded them. The food was very poor. This, too, was relieved by the Red Cross which was able to get food through to them.

After having spent fourteen months as a German prisoner Pete was liberated on April 17, 1945 in Salzwedel, Germany. To quote him, "I was lucky to be in one of the best camps when I got in 2B prison camp."

On his 23rd birthday, May 11, 1943, Pete was inducted into the U. S. Army; received his basic training at Camp Shelby, and was sent overseas on November 3, 1943. Prior to his induction he attended West Tech High School and worked at the Warner & Swasey Company. He arrived home on a sixty-day furlough on May 19.

The only souvenir that Pete brought home with him was a statue of the Blessed Mother which he picked up somewhere in Germany. He rolled the statue up in a towel and carried it constantly as a traveling companion.

We want to join in with Pete's parents and three sisters—Rose, Mary and Carmella—in saying it sure was good to see you and your brother back in the old neighborhood again. For a while it was just like old times seeing you in church and around with your friends.

PFC. VITO DI CIOLLA, who has been a German prisoner since February 17, 1944, was liberated by American troops on April 26, 1945, and is now home on a 60 day leave. Vito has been in the service 28 months, and overseas 20 months in the Infantry. He was in Africa for a while and in battle of the Anzio Beach Head in Italy, and it was there, after 1½ months of fighting, that he was captured and taken prisoner. He was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge, and the star for the Anzio Beach Head campaign.

Vito was at several German prison camps—Mantua, near Florence, at Brenner Pass into Germany, Mooseberg, Augsburg, and Memmingen. While a prisoner, Vito worked in the bombed city of Augsburg, and also on farms.

Looking fit, and in high spirits, Vito exclaimed that it was "swell being home."

CPL. JAMES TORTELLI has been in the service 32 months, and overseas 3 months. Home on furlough for 30 days, Jimmy says "it's grand to be home." He has been in France, Germany, and Czechoslovakia, and was in the Air Corps working as Clerk in the Regimental Sgt. Major's office. Jimmy has been transferred now to the Fifth Infantry Division — "Red Devils", and is to report to Camp Campbell, Ky., when his furlough expires.

PFC. CARL PACINO considers himself a very lucky lad to be home once more. In the service for 11 months, Carl was in the Infantry overseas for 6½ months. He has been in two major battles — Rhineland, and Central Europe, and was wounded in Germany. He had a close shave — a sniper split his helmet with a bullet just a half hour before he was hit in the leg. Carl has been awarded the Presidential Citation, the Purple Heart, and Combat Infantry Bodge. He has been in Scotland, England, France, Germany, and Austria. Carl is to report in Arkansas for future training.

PFC. JERRY FORTUNATO swept his family off their feet, by just walking in on them — and right on his four year old son's birthday, (who had just blown out the candles). In the service for 16 months, Jerry was overseas for 7 months as a machine gunner. He was in two major battles — the Rhineland, and Bavaria. He was wounded on April 29 in Landslut, Germany, and was awarded the Purple Heart, and ETO Ribbon. Jerry went through France, Germany, and Austria. In civilian life, Jerry played the Sax and had his own band, consequently he organized a band while in France, and played for the Officers, their company, and dances. He also had a band on board ship coming home. Jerry intends to make the most of his 30 day furlough, and thinks it's wonderful being back home.

It was a happy day at the Sabbatis home, at 2131 W. 58th St., when the Sabbatis family welcomed home Romeo Sabbatis G M 3-c, Romeo has been assigned to the U. S. S. Lexington for over 27 months. He had not been home on furlough for over a year. However, they had not expected the happy reunion that took place. A few weeks later when Henry Sabbatis, A.O.M. 2-c arrived for a 30 day furlough on June 10. You can well imagine it was a happy reunion for all. Hank is assigned to the U. S. S. Enterprise.

It is a coincidence that both have been a part of the same task force and have therefore been fortunate in being able to meet at intervals of about 2 months apart. It has also caused anxious moments as a near miss for either of the two battle ships would be the cause for anxious moments on the part of the brothers.

Romeo has been decorated with the purple heart for burns received during a major battle in the Pacific. The boys have been through plenty. They both have 10 battle stars signifying 10 major battles. They have taken part in 42 engagements which include two Philippine invasions and the bombing of Tokyo proper. There was also Iwo Jima, Guam, Saipan and Okinawa. The boys can boast of having partaken in every major action in the Pacific.

But all good things must come to an end, especially furloughs. Romeo must leave for Columbus, Ohio on Saturday, June 23 for reassignment and he has hopes of being assigned to shore duty. Henry will be home until July 3rd, at which time he will report back to his old station. He says he is going to say that Rosary every night without fail and pray that he can soon be home for good. Latest reports have it that Romeo is stationed at a repair base in California and has bought himself a Jeep.

PFC. EDWARD J. GROSS is home for 30 days after 9 months overseas duty in Germany. In the service 29 months, Ed is in the Engineers Medical Corps. He has 3 battle stars, and the Combat Medical Badge. Ed has to report at Ft. Benning, Georgia, and is happy to be back home with his wife, Rose (née Pavia).

GRAND REUNION

Three of the five Paoletta boys in the Service, from West 33rd St., Henry, PHA M2-c, Sgt. Joe, and Mike EM2c, were home together and had a happy reunion, after a separation of several years.

It was two years for Henry, who has been in the South Pacific as an Aerial Photographer, in the Hawaiian Islands the Marshalls, Gilberts, Carolines, and Mariannas. Henry just returned from Guam, and is home on a 30 day leave. He will then report to Pensacola, Florida, and attend photography school.

It was also a two year separation for Mike, who received a 10 day emergency leave home, to see his brother Henry. Mike has been overseas nine months, has been in three major battles, has three battle stars, and one for the occupation of the Philippines. Mike is returning to the South Pacific when his leave is up.

It has been four years since Joe has seen his two brothers. Stationed in Panama for 29 months in the Medical Corps, Joe is now at Fort Meyers, Virginia, and received a three day pass to be with his brothers.

Pfc. Lee Nicholas, 27, of the Quartermaster Corps has recently returned home on his first furlough since June 1942, when he left for overseas duty.

He was inducted on September 17, 1941 and he received his basic training in Wyoming and California. Being connected with transportation, he naturally visited many South Pacific Islands. They included: The Figi Islands, Guam, Guadalcanal, Bougainville and Australia. He stated that he encountered many man-eating fish.

While on an Island one day, he saw a Python just coming out from between the leaves. He noticed a large hump in the center of the long creature and knew that it would not hurt him since—they say—these snakes do not bother anyone until forty-eight hours after eating and by the looks of things, this one was only half way through his lunch. (Some Digestive System!!) Next time you see a Python fellas, remember the forty-eight-hour schedule.) Lee also stated that the Figi Islanders were very kind to our boys and did all they could for them.

On May 15, 1945 at St. Procop's Church, Lee Nicholas and Miss Rose Sleva were married. Congratulations to the happy couple!

Lee graduated from Lincoln High School in June, 1937 and did office work prior to his induction.

He enjoys playing the piano and lost no time playing some of his favorites while home.

He also has two nephews in Service. They are: S/Sgt. Julius Trombetto, and S/Sgt. Chester Scarci, both of the Air Corps Ground Crew. They have spent many a joyous evening together.

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oyster bar with no spirits being sold. Lower Main Ave. span to be removed. No water supply to be feared for west side as two new pumps are put into operation at Division St. station—installation at Kirtland and Fairmount not yet complete. Cleveland Airport purchases 25 acres on Rocky River Dr. Fisher Body Co., E. 140th and Coit Rd., receives Army-Navy E. Award. Upson Div. of Republic Steel Co., receives National Safety Council Award, first of this type to a Cleveland plant. Cleveland lawyers protest unethical conduct of trial of Orphan Annie of Comics fame. East side cafe owner slugs 18 yr. old thug—unconscious to effect capture. Signs of the times and the future, Grumann-Widglo plane forced down at 10th fairway at Acacia. St. Rocco's Parish on the march headed for that \$50,000 campaign goal and a beautiful new church.

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Dear Marie,

Thank you for the copy of your publication of the compilation of News-Letters to our servicemen during World War II. It is a great piece of diocesan history and I'm so glad you have published it so that others can enjoy and learn from it.

I was particularly impressed with Father Gattuso's letter. I'm sure it meant so much to those who received it and read it.

The entire manuscript is a wonderful testimony of a loving and caring parish community that Italo-Americans and all people can be so proud of as an example of Italian "family values" and religious commitment. I will see to it that it becomes a part of our diocesan archives.

God bless you always.

With my greetings to the Judge and with every best wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Anthony M. Pilla
Bishop of Cleveland